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A separate peace

How Sherwood Healy and his eight brothers and sisters passed into white America

History lessons

My grandfather Leo Birnbaum was tall, strong, willful, charming, virile and handsome as Cagney, and with a mind that resisted deep thought as naturally as rock sheds water. In short, he had just about all the gifts a man needs for happiness. He was however born a Jew in 1892 in backwater Austria, which means he was condemned at birth to a life narrow and impoverished, the kind of life that Heinrich Heine might have had in mind when he slyly lamented that Judaism was "not a religion [but] a misfortune."

The slums of New York City, to which Leo's parents emigrated at the turn of the century, were another misfortune. The family was poor and large, and Leo fended for himself from a young age, never finishing grade school. But somewhere along the way he heard the great American claim spoken out loud: Nothing is fate. He believed in little, but he acted on that. In his late teens he became a professional boxer and he took a new name, Bobby Dawson.

Why Leo became a boxer is clear: respect, money, and women. Prizefighting was the street game that mattered in his time, a seedbed for local heroes and punk millionaires, and the transforming dream for tall, strong, willful young men who never made it past sixth grade. Traveling the city's expansive circuit of boxing clubs and arenas for the 10 years his career lasted, Leo made lots of money that he spent on lots of women, lots of booze, and lots of pals.

Why he chose a ring name, however (not to mention "Bobby Dawson"), no one really knows. It wasn't his way to explain. He certainly didn't change his name for business reasons. Being a Birnbaum in the fight game in New York City in 1910 was in fact a decided market advantage over being a Dawson, and there were fighters who falsely intimated Jewish identities, who sewed stars of David to their trunks so they could improve their box office. Nor does the family's pious legend seem likely—that Leo wanted to spare his mother the shame of a son who brawled for a living. I knew Leo for 30 years, and if he was ever constrained by the prospect of causing embarrassment, I didn't notice it. He was the grandfather who annually stole the show at my father's earnest Passover seder by removing his dentures from his mouth to attack the matzo as it was passed; the grandfather who referred to his long-suffering wife as "tsures," a Yiddish word meaning "troubles," and a pun on her name Sureh; the grandfather who into his sixties insisted on demonstrating his strength by doing a headstand in any handy living room while his cuffs slipped past his broad white shins and coins dropped from his pockets and rolled on the floor beside his purple face.

No, what seems clear from all the available evidence is

that Leo chose to be Bobby Dawson (he never had his name changed legally) so he could pass, disappear into America, live a life in which he didn't have to be a Jew—whatever that meant to him and to the world—on top of everything else a man had to be. And so for decades after he'd worn out his gift for boxing, Bobby Dawson was a presence in arenas, athletic clubs, the celebrity bars along Broadway, and in many loud, merry, or nefarious places where a heavyweight who'd once nearly gone the distance with Tunney (a TKO in the seventh round) could provide cachet and earn a few bucks as a chauffeur, bodyguard, cook, bartender, masseur, poker foil, or drinking buddy. And Leo Birnbaum was at the same time a shadow husband and father across the river in Brooklyn, a man who turned up on occasion to drop off some cash and to rest from exertions he never spoke of.

There are all kinds of reasons for passing, some more pressing than others. Life and freedom can certainly depend on it, as was the case with the subjects of our cover story and as is the case today in too many places. In other instances, it's ambition that's on the line. Would Iosif Dzhugashvili have done as well career-wise as Stalin? Could Anna Maria Italiano have had Anne Bancroft's film credits, or would Hollywood have mired her in bosom-and pasta comedies as a second-tier Sophia Loren (Sofia Scicolone, actually)?

For most people who take the trouble to pass, though, the real inspiration is the opportunity to set aside the dreadful burden that W.E.B. Du Bois famously called "double-consciousness, this sense of always looking at one's self through the eyes of others, of measuring one's soul by the tape of a world that looks on in amused contempt and pity."

I believe that's what Bobby Dawson was about. Leo Birnbaum had ego, certainly, and he had rage enough to drive his arms and legs in the ring (and elsewhere), and charm and looks enough for the women. But what he could not claim was a life in which he could rest, a life in which warring identities—immigrant, native, Jewish, gentile—did not short-circuit and spark. And so he made up that life. He created Bobby Dawson, his personal golem, a man who laughed and drank and had no real history.

One day when Leo grew too old to live Bobby Dawson's life, he returned to the family apartment in Brooklyn. His children were grown and gone, but Sureh—long suffering and expert at it—triumphantly took him in and installed him in the small spare bedroom beside the kitchen, like a guest in his own life.

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EQUAL PROTEST Reading "Civic Rite" (by David Reich, Spring 2003), I was reminded of an evening in Roberts Center in the late 1980s with Oliver North, and the bipolarized reception he received on campus. It's great to see Noam Chomsky lending his perspective at BC. I suppose it wouldn't be a college campus without protesters and heightened emotions. However, a closed-minded approach to world affairs isn't in anyone's best interest. ARNOLD SOOKRAM '91

ANGLES AND INFIDELS
Juxtaposing the two excellent

New York, New York

articles "Mute Witness" by Robin Fleming and "The Priesthood to Come" by Rev. Donald Cozzens (Spring 2003) was particularly apt. In Fleming's article, we learn that the decline of Roman Britain progressed from alarming to overwhelming and then to terminal, "without an Angle or a Saxon in sight." Then, in Cozzens's article, we learn that the state of vocations to the priesthood is progressing along the same path, it seems, without an infidel in sight.

In each case, the message is that the road is unmistakable, but the remedy elusive.

GAFFNEY J. FESKOE '71

Wilton, Connecticut

GREAT REFORMER
I cannot complain that Mark
Oppenheimer ("Beautiful
Mind," Spring 2003) did not
get us Lonerganians right. We
are indeed an odd, rumpled
collection of souls, and we
tend to speak to each other in
a strange, technical terminology. But he has not gotten

Lonergan right.

To cite just one misrepresentation: Although Oppenheimer did quote me correctly on page 37, he completely misrepresented the context of my remark. In no way did my comment have anything to do with why "some skeptical young Catholics stayed in the priesthood." Over and again, Oppenheimer represents Lonergan as writing in "the spirit of the 1960s," as a heterodox rebel chafing against the teachings of Roman Catholicism. Worst among his inaccuracies is the assertion that Lonergan was "suggesting that doctrine might, possibly, be superseded by social science." It is true that Lonergan intended a great reform of the manner in which Catholic theology and thinking ought to be conducted. But never did he challenge the fundamental doctrines. Rather, he devoted much of his career to exploring and reinvigorating Catholic traditions on such fundamental issues as God, the Trinity, the Incarnation, grace, and human nature.

From the beginning of his career to its end, his sole objective was to make the riches of the Catholic tradition accessible to a world radically changed by modern and postmodern science, economics, politics, and culture.

PATRICK H. BYRNE

Department of Theology

I began reading Mark Oppenheimer's account with interest, but ended in disappointment. After quoting an unattributed passage from Lonergan about the application of "the operations as intentional to the operations as conscious," Oppenheimer tells us that although he doesn't "really know" what it means, he "sort of" knows. "Each of us has a different brain, so we each have different mental experiences, and so what will be good theology or ethics, say, for one person might not work for another."

To call this sophomoric would be to malign sophomores. No doubt we all have numerically different brains, whence it perhaps follows that we have numerically different mental experiences. But it would be a non sequitur to infer that we have different types of mental experience, which is what one would have to be able to infer to get even close to reaching the nambypamby theological/ethical relativism the author has in view. WILLIAM F. VALLICELLA PH.D. '78 Gold Canyon, Arizona

NUMBER, PLEASE
Re "Survey Says" by Patricia
M. Y. Chang (Spring 2003): I
do not understand how "1,508
completed responses . . . obtained by calling 41,033 people" yields a response rate of
"roughly one-third of 1 percent." This looks like a 3.68
percent response rate to me.
ED FERGUSON '84
Winchester, Massachusetts

Editor's note: Mr. Ferguson is indeed correct.

WHAT MENSCH?
Was I surprised to find out that, according to your article on Chris O'Donnell (Ben Birnbaum's "The Mensch," Spring 2003), a "mensch" is "Hollywood argot" for a grown-up! Here I was think-

ing that it was Yiddish for "human," used in a complimentary fashion, in English, to assign the status of one worthy of admiration (see *American Heritage Dictionary*, fourth edition, 2000). Man, those Hollywood types have a word for everything.

DAN ROSEN '94

Teaneck, New Jersey

GOOD SPORTS

I read Bill McDonald's article "Phenomenology" (Spring 2003) the same day that BC, the University of Miami, and the ACC were sued by a number of Big East colleges. I recognize that sports play a big part in colleges today-in school spirit, national publicity, admissions, and television and bowl game revenue. These are not bad things in themselves, but I believe they must be taken within the context of the values and culture of the university community.

Perhaps I am idealistic, but I would like to believe that what differentiates BC from secular colleges are things like truth, loyalty, and commitment. Based on news reports and the allegations of the lawsuit naming BC as a defendant, these three values appear to be sorely lacking as BC has been courted by the ACC, along with the University of Miami and Syracuse University, in a move that would eviscerate the Big East. JOHN N. MONTALBANO '76 JD '80 Middletown, Connecticut

PUBLIC DEFENDER
The blizzard of anti-Bush letters in *BCM*'s Spring 2003
issue prompts me to respond to such unbecoming hostility from people who presumably

champion tolerance, which, by the way, should include tolerance for other points of view—even Republicans'.

Bush's first obligation is the protection and safety of the American people, and to that end he has shown himself to be a strong and decisive leader, which is exactly what we need now. The stakes are too high for pussyfooting around. When Bill Clinton bombed Iraq in 1998, where was the moral outrage from the left? Does any clear-thinking person really believe that, five years later, Saddam had fewer weapons of mass destruction? PATRICK J. HENAGHAN '79

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Medford, Massachusetts

SEX AND YOGA

Many thanks to Clare Dunsford for "Body and Soul" in Spring 2003. In the article, Swami Tyagananda is heard to say that sex, most of all, is an obstacle to achievement of an enlightened life. The swami's choice of a celibate life may have readers concluding that this is the only acceptable option for the yoga practitioner. However, life as a married householder is an equally acceptable alternative. For interested BCM readers, I'd like to recommend Health, Healing & Beyond: Yoga and the Living Tradition of Krishnamacharya (1998) by T.K.V. Desikachar. JAY BREEZE '71 Tallahassee, Florida

UNCLES

I read "One of Ours" (Eileen Donovan-Kranz, Spring 2003) on the commuter rail this morning. I too have an uncle whom I never met, who died when his Coast Guard cutter was torpedoed in the North Atlantic in World War II. There is a playground in Hull, Massachusetts, named in his memory. The last time I drove by this playground, about four years ago, it was very poorly maintained, and the description of Donovan-Kranz's great uncle's beach seemed to fit: "equal parts honor and insult."

Just this past winter, I came across my uncle's last letters. He sounded cheerful and sure that he would be coming home. I'm now sitting here at my desk in the Federal Reserve Bank and my view is straight across Logan Airport to Winthrop. I think I'll get out my binoculars later to see if I can locate Donovan Beach.

CATHERINE SPOZIO '74 MBA '01 Medway, Massachusetts

BUTTERFLY TALE Your story in Fall 2002 on butterflies ("Flight Plan," by Chet Raymo) brings back memories of one of BC's great professors of the 1930s and 1940s, J. Francis Xavier Murphy, SJ. Murphy could hold impromptu lectures on any subject, and as his fame spread Harvard couldn't resist asking him to come to speak—on the condition that the subject matter would be secret until he "opened the envelope." Well, the subject was butterflies, and the Jesuit spoke for nearly two hours. JOE CARROLL '53

Framingham, Massachusetts

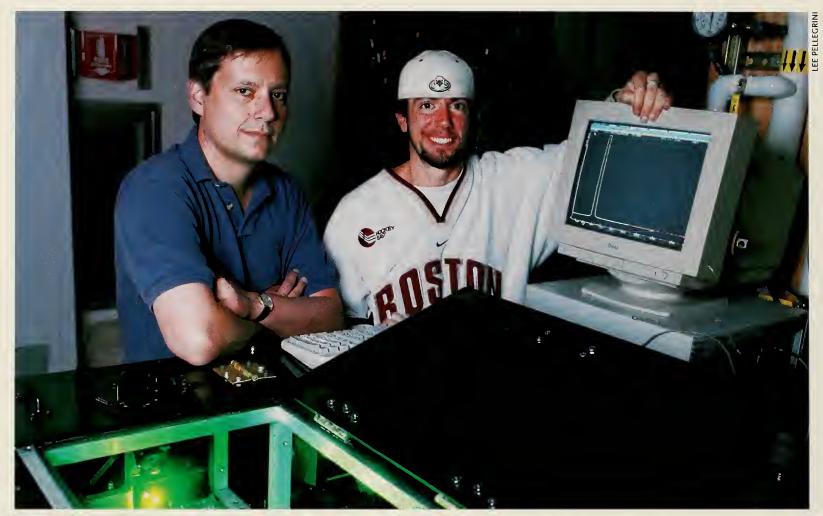
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Was the string of glowing dots of any use? The question from Previte (right) drew Fourkas (left) in a new direction.

The accidental technologist

A CHEMIST'S FORAY INTO THE FUTURE OF DATA STORAGE

The world owes penicillin to a moldy petri dish, microwave ovens to a melted chocolate bar. Add to those accidental discoveries the X-ray machine, nylon, Teflon, Velcro, safety glass, and cornflakes, and you see that serendipity is a force like gravity or electromagnetism, able to redirect a scientist's work as swiftly as a dam burst alters the course of a river. In the summer of 1999, serendipity paid a visit to the laboratory of BC's Professor John Fourkas. A young

chemist whose work on the dynamics of liquids had already won him important honors (an Alfred P. Sloan Research Fellowship and a Camille Dreyfus Teacher-Scholar Award, among them), Fourkas found himself diverted, purely by chance, into a quite different area of research: three-dimensional optical memory.

The field is one of high stakes and huge technical challenges. Unlike the familiar two-dimensional world of CDs and DVDs, in which lasers write and read data on a flat surface, 3-D memory technology will burrow beneath the surface of a disc. Lasers will store data on dozens or hundreds of different planes at different depths, and consumers will have to learn yet another Greek prefix: Beyond kilobytes, megabytes, and gigabytes, 3-D optical discs will store terabytes-trillions of bytes—of data. Hundreds of movies or an entire college library will sit on a disk the size of a CD. That, at least, is the technology's promise. After years of trying, academic and commercial researchers have yet to devise a 3-D optical memory system that is both practical and inexpensive. But the technique that Fourkas and his lab team stumbled across that summer's day may be one of the strongest contenders

It started with a chemistry experiment gone bad. Fourkas and some graduate students were preparing to investigate the properties of deeply supercooled liquids, materials that can remain in a liquid state even at temperatures below their normal freezing point.

"What we were looking for was a deeply supercooled liquid that would be ideal to study at room temperature," Fourkas recalls. Trying different materials, he and his students would pepper a sample with luminescent "tracer" molecules, shine a laser through the tip of a microscope, then observe how bits of the sample behaved, using the tracers as a guide. One class of materials they tested was a slightly altered form of phenolphthalein, a useful, if unpronounceable, staple of childhood chemistry sets. The materials were a dud. "After we shined our laser on them for a while, we found that they started to give off light, drowning out the light from the tracers," says Fourkas. "So we abandoned them."

Months later, Michael Previte, then a graduate student in Fourkas's lab, was attempting to fix a calibration problem in the lab's sophisticated microscope and laser apparatus. Needing a material that would shine under the microscope, he pulled out a sample of the phenolphthalein-like substance. "I knew that focusing the laser on one place in the material would create a bright fluorescent spot. So, to help calibrate the microscope stage, I made a diagonal line of bright spots across the screen," Previte recounts. What he hadn't anticipated was that the spots would continue to emit light even when he later scanned them with the laser at much lower power. "For want of a better term, it looked cool," he says.

Previte showed the string of glowing dots to his mentor. Was it useful for anything?

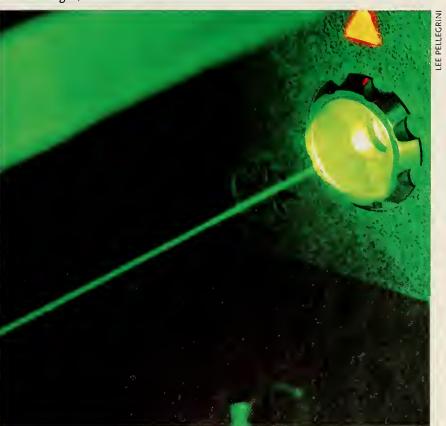
"No, I don't think so,"
Fourkas replied. Only later that night did the significance of the find begin to dawn on Fourkas: A technique that could create fluorescent spots at precise locations and then read them back might find a use in three-dimensional optical memory.

Of the many ingenious approaches that have emerged for storing data in three dimensions, all have major drawbacks. Some methods store complex images in the form of holograms, but they require such fine control over the movement of lasers and discs that they work only under laboratory conditions. A technique that zaps tiny bubbles into fused silica needs an expensive high-powered laser and produces layers that are relatively far apart. Another general approach—creating luminescent dots in organic materials—has been hampered by

problems of its own. But, as Fourkas soon learned, he and Previte had just solved several of them.

One by one, the advantages of the phenolphthalein-like materials became clear. Unlike other luminescent materials being tried elsewhere, they worked with relatively lowpower, low-cost lasers. They could be made cheaply and easily; the same molecular family includes Devcon 5-Minute Epoxy—which, unbeknownst to the manufacturer, stores data beautifully. And over time the materials held on to the data like, well, glue. Lasers could read the luminescent dots repeatedly without either the background growing brighter or the dots growing much dimmer, a liability of other inexpensive materials. In fact, even after a million reads—a pounding that is unlikely to be administered in actual use—the dots had lost

Point of light, Merkert Center laser lab



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only 10 percent of their luminosity. "Suddenly," says
Fourkas, "we realized this material was pretty special."

Over the next year, Fourkas and his crew began to find out why that was so. It turned out that molecules in the material were becoming luminescent because of chemical changes caused by the laser. Those changes occurred only when the molecules absorbed three photons, or particles of light, simultaneously. To guarantee that three photons would arrive at once, the molecules had to be bombarded with many photons over a short period of time. Writing data, then, was a matter of focusing the laser on a certain point and delivering a short but intense burst of light. Reading was different. For those same molecules to give off light again, they needed to absorb only two photons. That meant the data could be read with relatively weak pulses of light that posed no risk of accidentally writing new spots. All of this added up to an approach that was promising enough to earn Fourkas a \$344,000 grant from the Air Force Office of Scientific Research in April 2001.

SINCE THEN, Fourkas and company have been inching closer to the goal of building a practical 3-D optical memory system. "The most exciting moment for me," says Christopher Olson, a graduate student who worked on the project, "was when I realized how, theoretically, our storage density was orders of magnitude higher than audio CDs, and several-fold higher than today's DVDs." The team has succeeded in writing 25 layers

of data in a sample of material, which—scaled up to disc size—would equal 87 gigabytes of data, or 130 times what a CD holds. Eventually, says Fourkas, they should be able to break the terabyte barrier, squeezing 150 layers onto each side of a disc.

But adding layers is just one item on a rather extensive to-do list. To succeed commercially, discs will have to be readable with low-power commodity lasers—to which end Fourkas is mapping out a technique that uses only one photon of light instead of two. Discs will also need to be writable much faster than the present snail's pace of 10,000 bits per second. And, ideally,

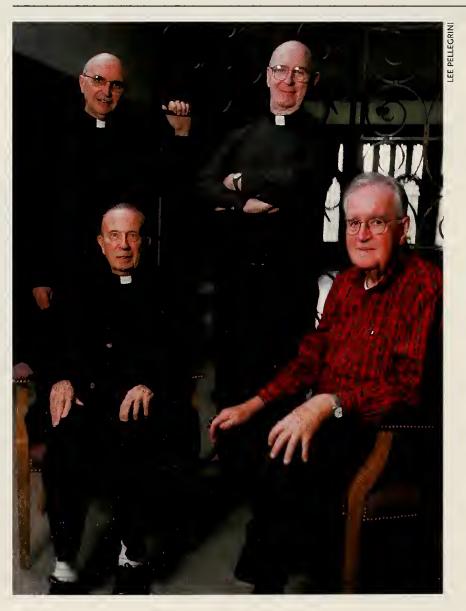
the discs should be rewritable, which they currently are not. Answers to those quandaries might present themselves as the researchers get a firmer grasp on the chemical changes that cause the materials to fluoresce in the first place. "We have to understand what happens at the microscopic level in order to rationally improve the materials," Fourkas says.

There's one more item on that to-do list: licensing the technology as quickly as possible. Thanks to a paper that Fourkas, Olson, and Previte (now a postdoctoral fellow at MIT) published in the November 2002 issue of *Nature Materials*, their work has generated a lot of press.

Now Fourkas is hoping that some farsighted company will step in and help nurse the technology to commercial viability. It's a question of priorities, he explains: "Of all the projects I'm working on, this may be the one with the broadest potential impact on the public. Yet it's moving toward a realm that's more engineering than science. Once it gets to a certain point, I'd like to hand it off and watch it from a distance." In other words, he is a chemist first, and chemistry beckons.

David Brittan

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FOR BAGHDAD—With the war in Iraq, another "BC" has attracted new attention. Baghdad College was founded by the Jesuits in 1932 and staffed with priests from the New England Province, including four current members of the Boston College community (pictured, clockwise from top left: Charles Healy, SJ; Robert Farrell, SJ; Neil Decker, SJ; James Morgan, SJ). At its peak, the school had 1,000 students, half of whom were Muslim. The Jesuits offered a rigorous education in both English and Arabic, with no attempt to proselytize. They also opened a coed university named Al-Hikma in 1956. But in 1969, Saddam Hussein's Baath Socialist Party expelled the Jesuits from Iraq and the schools were taken over by the government. Since the 1970s, a reunion of Iragis educated by the Jesuits has been held every other year; the most recent, in Toronto, attracted over 1,200 alumni. In an interview with the BC Chronicle, Fr. Morgan said of Baghdad College: "It was my idea of what St. Ignatius called us to do-to go into the whole world."

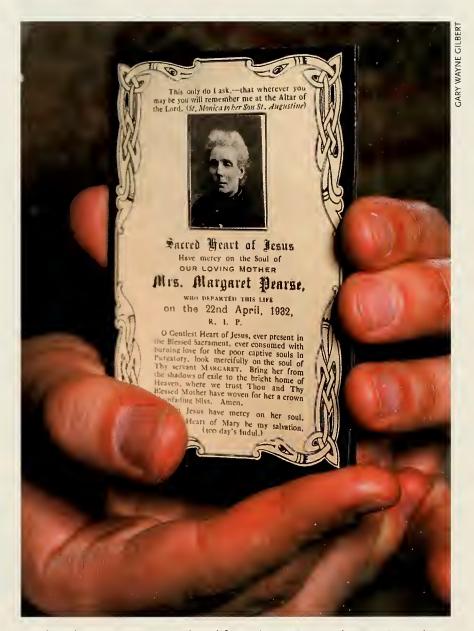
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LOST AND FOUND BETWEEN THE PAGES

It is early September 2002, and behind the thick puddingstone walls of the Burns library, Kathaleen Brearley, an assistant rare books cataloguer, opens a slim volume of poetry to begin her usual painstaking examination and notations. The book is a well-preserved but ordinary-enough 1931 edition of the poems of one Christy MacKaye, a name that rings no bells for Brearley. Nor is it clear, at first glance, why the book has found its way to her hands. The reason becomes plain on the title page, where, in an elegant, backward-leaning script, the author has penned, "To Lady Gregory with sincere regards." The book is what is known in the trade as a "presentation copy," that is, a copy inscribed by the author. But in this case, it is the recipient, not the author, who is famous. By virtue of belonging to Lady Gregory, a key figure in the Irish Revival and the cofounder with W.B. Yeats of Dublin's Abbey Theatre, this obscure volume has a rightful place at Burns, the home of one of the world's outstanding collections of Irish and Irish-American manuscripts and books.

But the book holds a secret—or an unexpected gift, at any rate—in the form of an envelope, stuck between the leaves, addressed to Lady Gregory at her home in Coole Park in Galway, postmarked August 28, 1931. Contained within is a heartfelt thank-you note to Lady Gregory from Christy MacKaye: "This is very late to let you know how much it meant to both Miss Buckles and myself to come and see you. It was wonderfully kind of you to let us. Certainly it was a climax of good fortune to meet Mr. Yeats there too." At Burns, such "climax of good fortune" as finding this simple fragment of past society is not a daily occurrence, but it happens sometimes.

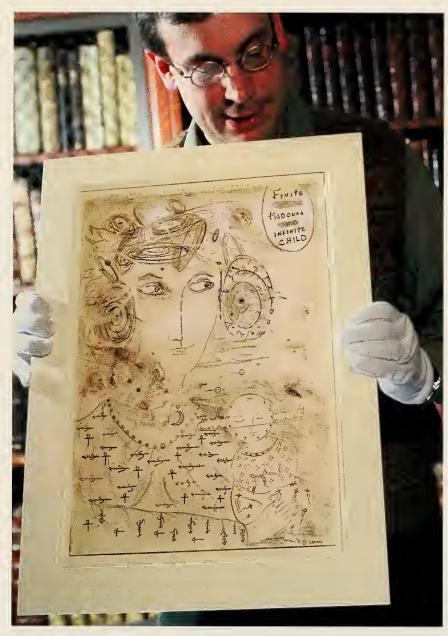
John Atteberry, senior reference librarian at Burns, once discovered, tucked in a newly acquired book, a press ticket to a Yale-Dartmouth football game from 1933, bearing notice that only men would be admitted in the press box. (He kindly sent it off to the library at Dartmouth, receiving word back that, on that date, "Yale prevailed.") He also happened on three beautiful, anonymous, and undated red crayon drawings of flowers folded into the pages of a 16th-century book on gardening, a sort of early *House and Garden* complete with etchings of horticultural schemes, garden tools, and flora. And on the title page of a biography of Jack Yeats, the eminent artist and brother of W.B., Atteberry found the profoundest kind of signature, a small sketch of a horse,



Student discovery: a memorial card for Irish patriot Patrick Pearse's mother

done in light blue, by Jack Yeats himself—the artist's touch, an alchemy that turned book into personal artifact. The writer's hand similarly transforms a plain green presentation copy of the 1949 edition of *The Complete Poems of Robert Frost*. Frost inscribed the volume to the late Arthur MacGillivray, SJ, who wrote poetry and taught English at Boston College. But what makes this book more special is that it contains a six-line poem that Frost wrote out and initialed in his own bold, blocky hand.

David Horn, head librarian for archives and manuscripts, was stunned when he discovered the lines. "First thought," he recalls, "was, 'I wonder if this is an unpublished poem,"



Archivist Copenhagen with his find, Gregory Corso's Madonna

which would have been a fabulous find. Frost happens to be Horn's favorite poet, and as Horn read on, the lines had a familiar ring:

But God's own descent Into flesh was meant As a demonstration That the supreme merit Lay in risking spirit In substantiation.

Further investigation revealed them to be from the long poem "Kitty Hawk," published in Frost's *In the Clearing* in 1962. Curiously, the handwritten lines in the copy were given a title of their own—"The Risk"—which they do not have in the longer poem. The subject is decidedly theological, says Horn: "He's talking about the risk the divinity took coming down and becoming flesh." Looking at those carefully penned black lines, it is impossible not to feel that Frost selected them and their title quite deliberately for the

message they would bear to Fr. MacGillivray.

Recently, assistant archivist Ed Copenhagen has been going through the papers of the late Francis Sweeney, SJ, who for many years ran BC's Humanities Lecture Series, and who was a friend and correspondent of many prominent writers. Because, as Copenhagen puts it, Fr. Sweeney's views of literature were "a little more modern," Copenhagen was not entirely surprised to find a letter from the eccentric Beat poet Gregory Corso, whom Sweeney invited to speak at the University in the 1970s. However, what accompanied the letter was quite unexpected: a large pencil drawing by Corso titled Finite Madonna, Infinite Child, which, despite containing some aspects of a traditional Madonna and Child, casts a decidedly quirky spin on the subject. (Around the edge of the infant's face, for example, are numbers as they would appear on a clock face, except that "12" has been replaced by the infinity symbol.)

SOME OF the odd detritus that is serendipitously retrieved by Burns's cataloguers and librarians requires historical context for its meaning to be understood. An item that is relatively insignificant in itself but conveys a particularly vivid sense of the past, in part because of its very plainness, was discovered by a BC student who was going through a cache of Irish books that the library had purchased a while back. In one unremarkable volume the student found a small holy card issued for the 1932 funeral of a Mrs. Margaret Pearse. Burns's librarians were able to identify her as the mother of Patrick Pearse, poet, school teacher, and hero of the Irish rebellion of 1916, who was executed for signing the Irish declaration of independence, along with all the other signatories. Pearse was a young man when he was killed. The expression of unutterable sadness on Mrs. Pearse's face in the tiny photograph that graces the black and white card tells a mother's, and a country's, tragedy.

Among the unexpected finds at Burns, some are valuable, such as the extremely rare prayer card—two by three inches and still white—that Jesuitana cataloguer Ross Shanley-Roberts found in a 349-year-old religious daybook last fall. And some have no discernable value at all, such as an anonymous sheaf of notes in French, written in miniscule script on tissue-thin paper, discovered in a 1949 book about the exercises of St. Ignatius.

As a rule, found items of any value at all are catalogued and reassigned to an appropriate BC collection. But the unattributed and abandoned French scribblings, perhaps the diligence of a reviewer, perhaps the research of a scholar, have been allowed to remain tucked into the book where they were found. What librarian, after all, could throw away evidence of such attention to the word?

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COURTSIDE

BC admission and the Michigan rulings

While recent Supreme Court decisions in two affirmative action cases have left college admission offices from Massachusetts to California scrambling to adjust to an altered landscape, the rulings will not affect Boston College because BC's admission policy is already "in compliance with the letter and spirit of the decisions," says John L. Mahoney, Jr., director of undergraduate admission.

The two high court cases scrutinized the use of race as a criterion in undergraduate and law school admissions at the University of Michigan. In decisions announced on June 23, the court found that colleges could consider an applicant's race, but only as part of a "truly individualized," holistic evaluation process. By contrast,

the court invalidated policies where race is the decisive factor and where "mechanical" admission policies assign a numerical weight to an applicant's race. Schools like Michigan and the University of Massachusetts, which have relied on such numerical scoring systems, will have to shift to a more complex—and likely more costly—admission process if they want to continue using race as a factor.

In undergraduate admissions, BC considers race as one of many factors, alongside academic preparation, a record of leadership in extracurricular activities, family ties to the University, and special gifts in areas such as athletics and the arts. "No particular value is assigned to the variables," says Mahoney. "We look at the

whole picture and make a professional judgment." Current undergraduate enrollment is approximately 10 percent Asian, 8 percent Latino, and 6 percent African-American. The law school is approximately 24 percent AHANA; the Lynch School of Education's graduate programs are 13.5 percent.

According to Academic Vice President Jack Neuhauser, affirmative action at BC's graduate and professional schools mainly takes the form of outreach and recruitment, though race is also given some weight in admissions as "one of the factors added in." But Neuhauser emphasizes that, like the undergraduate admission office, the graduate and professional schools use a non-mechanical process. "We do not have anything like a nu-

meric quota," he says. "We obviously try hard to recruit minority students, with varying degrees of success, but we do it as much for our own benefit as for theirs. We simply want a student body that represents this country, and to some extent goes beyond the borders of this country, because it's better for our students."

The same holds true at the undergraduate level, according to Mahoney. In addition, he says, taking race and economic status into account keeps faith with BC's founding mission of educating the "truly marginalized and disenfranchised"—in the 1860s, the sons of Irish Catholic immigrants.

David Reich

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TAKE-HOME: QUESTIONS FROM A SPRING SEMESTER FINAL EXAM

HONORS PROGRAM 134: "TWENTIETH CENTURY AND THE TRADITION"

- —Adjunct Associate Professor Michael Martin
- 1 a) Briefly state how three of the following four define or describe "human being" or "being human": the Humanist Manifestos (consider these as one statement)
 Sartre's Existentialism is a Humanism Heidegger's Letter on Humanism Derrida's The Ends of Man and On Forgiveness
 - **b)** Use one of the following novels to explore this problem of "being human": Michael Cunningham's *The Hours* D. M. Thomas's *The White Hotel* Jeanette Winterson's *Written on the Body*
- 2 a) Describe the relationship between "love" and "desire" in each of the following: Angela Carter's *The Infernal Desire Machines of Dr. Hoffman* D. M. Thomas's *The White Hotel* Jeanette Winterson's *Written on the Body*
 - **b)** Consider how each relates to one of the following: Heidegger's concept of "comportment" • Sartre's concept of "freedom" • Charles Taylor's concept of the "individual"

GROWTH CHART

Connell School enjoys lean times

Reflecting a nationwide surge of interest in the nursing profession, undergraduate applications to Boston College's Connell School of Nursing increased by 52 percent this year, following a 42 percent increase the year before. The graduate nursing program's position in the *US News & World Report* graduate school rankings, meanwhile, jumped more than 10 places, into the top 20.

Several factors help to explain the nursing program's growing attraction, according to CSON dean Barbara Hazard Munro. One is the continuing availability of decent paying jobs in the field, in an otherwise faltering job mar-

ket. Nurses "can go almost anyplace they want—literally in the world—and not only find a job, but one with working hours that suit them," says Munro. Moreover, nursing is recovering from a slump of its own, a period of low interest in the 1980s and 1990s, during which some colleges and universities cut back on their nursing programs. With those ebb years now past, the remaining schools are working hard to pick up the slack, says Munro.

The number of students enrolling in nursing programs nationwide rose 8 percent last year, according to a report by the American Association of Colleges of Nursing. But that means "we're only getting back to where we were eight or 10 years ago," says Munro. She warns that the national shortage of nurses is projected to become more serious over the next decade, and that meeting the demand for new nurses will not be easy. In most nursing schools, additional faculty and clinical placement slots will be needed to cover any significant increases in enrollment.

MEANWHILE at BC, competition was intense this year for admission to the Connell School's 12-month alternative nursing education program, which prepares college graduates for the nursing licensing

exam. There were 200 applications for the program's 32 slots.

At the graduate level, US
News & World Report rated
CSON 19th among all master's
degree nursing programs in
the country, tied with six other
institutions. Munro cites the
Connell School's access to
Boston's abundant teaching
hospitals and notes that the institutions ranked ahead of
CSON are all attached to academic medical centers. Yale
University (tied for 10th) is the
only other New England institution in the US News survey.

Reid Oslin

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EYEWITNESS—Opening this fall at the McMullen Museum of Art, the exhibit Reflections in Black will offer African-American photography from the Smithsonian collection, documenting civil rights activism from the 1950s to the end of the 20th century. The 1968 photo at left by Ernest C. Withers shows a sanitation workers' strike in Memphis, Tennessee, and what would be Martin Luther King, Jr.'s last march. The exhibit will run from September 26 to December 7. For information, call (617) 552-8587, or visit the museum Web site: www.bc.edu/artmuseum

HOME/WORK

New research: Has welfare reform hurt children?

Since 1996, when the Welfare Reform Act attached stricter work requirements and a fiveyear lifetime maximum to the receipt of benefits, mothers on public assistance have moved into the workforce in increasing numbers. Assistant Professor Rebekah Levine Coley in the Lynch School of Education has been examining the effect of this shift on children. With fellow researchers from Johns Hopkins and Northeastern universities, she presented research findings in the March 7, 2003, issue of Science magazine.

Coley and her colleagues focused their study on children at two key developmental stages: ages two to four and early adolescence. They reported on 2,402 mothers and their children living in low-income neighborhoods of Boston, Chicago, and San Antonio. The families were interviewed in 1999 and again in 2001. According to the study, preschool children showed no pattern of effects when assessed in the areas of cognitive achievement, behavior, and psychological well-being—regardless of whether their mothers had transitioned onto or off of welfare, into or out of employment.

"I don't think that means the changes from welfare reform are having *no* negative effects," Coley cautions. "Some families are struggling" more than others—for instance, when it comes to finding suit-



Coley: Initial findings are "hopeful."

able childcare.

Among children ages 10 to 14, there was a slight indication that the youngsters benefited psychologically from their mothers taking jobs. Based on the children's own admissions, it seems that having a working mother relieves some of the worry that young adolescents feel over family finances, even as having a job, the study suggests, increases the self-esteem of mothers themselves, making them stronger role models.

Overall, Coley calls the initial findings "hopeful." The researchers didn't turn up "the negative trajectory that some

people expected," she says. But several caveats accompany the report: Little can be concluded about the long-term effects of welfare reform, because the surveys took place over only 16 months. And since the study was conducted during a period of marked U.S. economic health that brought higher wages to unskilled labor, it tells little about the impact that a worsening job market might have on welfare families.

Coley expects to have new data in 2004 that will reflect the economic downturn of the past few years.

Nicole Estvanik

GRANTED

Chemistry professor Scott Miller has received the Pfizer Award for Creativity in Organic Chemistry in the amount of \$100,000. Miller is developing catalysts for use in the production of pharmaceuticals. Sociology professor Diane Vaughan has received a Guggenheim Fellowship to support her research on air traffic control in the 21st century. She recently served as an expert witness in the investigation of the Columbia space shuttle disaster.

GOOD COMPANY

Moakley Professor of Political Science Kay Schlozman and Professor Larry Wolff of the history department have been elected fellows of the American Academy of Arts & Sciences. Fellow honorees this year include four college presidents, three Nobel Prize winners, and four Pulitzer Prize winners.

IN THE INTERIM

Professor M. Hossein Safizadeh has been named interim dean of the Carroll School of Management for the upcoming academic year, replacing Helen Peters, who resigned in May to focus on teaching and research.

WHIZ KID

Physics major Alexander A. Demidov '04 has won a Barry M. Goldwater Scholarship, which provides \$7,500 per year and is considered the premier undergraduate award in math, engineering, and the sciences.

RECOGNIZED

Students voted history professor Cynthia Lyerly BC's Phi Beta Kappa Teacher of the Year. Her courses include "Gender in American History."

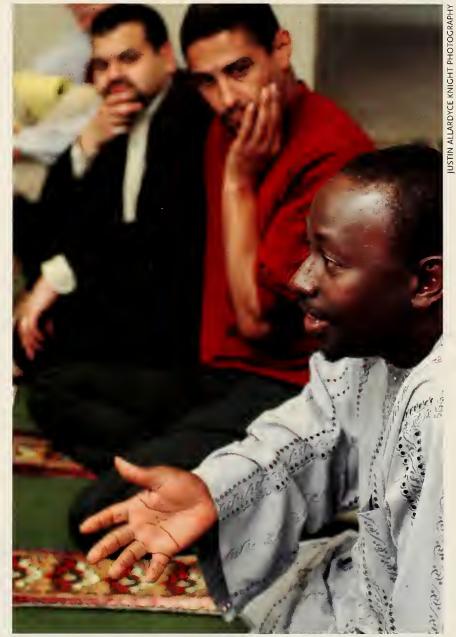
CULTURE KLATCH

Frank talk about Islam and the modern world

Must modernity pose a threat to Islam? Is it possible to be thoroughly modern and also Muslim? Those were among the questions that 16 Muslim scholars took up at a suburban-Boston mosque one Friday in June. The lively session was part of a 30-day "Church, State, and Society" seminar organized by Boston College's Boisi Center for Religion and American Public Life.

The academics were
Fulbright Scholars visiting the
United States primarily from
Muslim countries; their fields
ranged from political science
to linguistics to Islamic history. The Boisi Center had
arranged for them to attend
Friday prayers at the Islamic
Center of Boston, in Wayland,
then to remain for an open
discussion of modernity.
Several members of the
mosque lingered after the service and joined the talk.

"This is a chance for the visiting scholars to meet an American Muslim community, some of them for the first time, and to have an exchange of views," said Qamar-ul Huda, an organizer of the event and professor of Islamic studies in Boston College's theology department. The Fulbright tour, which ended July 2, was developed to give the Muslim scholars exposure to America's religious diversity, its commitment to religious freedom and tolerance, and the ways in which religion



From left: Huda of BC; Abouddahab of Lyon University; and Ibrahima Badiane of Senegal's Islamic Institute of Dakar

shapes U.S. society, said Huda, who joined the BC faculty in 1997 and teaches the history of Islamic thought and Sufism. "We want to challenge their thinking," said Huda. "However, we're not just interested in teaching them, but also in what we in America and at BC can learn from them." The seminar was sponsored at BC by both the Boisi

Center and the College of Arts and Sciences.

The discussion in Wayland was led by the visiting scholars themselves. Twenty participants sat shoeless in a circle on the carpeted floor of the mosque's prayer hall, where moments before they had bowed in prayer to Allah. Wearing Western business suits, colorful African robes,

chadors, flowing white robes, and casual jerseys, the discussants represented more than a dozen different countries, from Bangladesh, Malaysia, Indonesia, and the Philippines to South Africa, France, and the Netherlands. Also represented were Senegal, Uganda, and Nigeria, as well as India, Pakistan, and Turkey.

The group began by exploring the ways in which modernity, with its emphasis on reason, individual rights, and material progress, and Islam, with its emphasis on tradition, community, and history, are in tension. But challenged by some of the scholars, as well as by a member of the mosque, they also explored the possibility that Islam needs to recapture a commitment to key elements of modernity that it once embraced.

"I think Islam is essentially modern in its ethos," said Aisha Mahmood Farooqui, a university professor in Hyderabad, India, who teaches courses on the development of Indo-Muslim thought and the role of women in Islam. "But it is true that in many Muslim countries, Islam has gotten sidetracked away from that."

"What is this problem between Islam and modernity?" Zafarullah Cheema of Sudbury, Massachusetts, asked rhetorically. A retired Pakistani-born engineer and a member of the Islamic Center of Boston, he had remained after prayers for the discussion. Cheema noted that early Islam gave equal rights to women and favored rule by the people, not kings and caliphs. He also said that the Koran urges Muslims to explore the heavens and know the physical world, and that, during Europe's Dark Ages, Muslim thinkers were on the cutting edge of science. "Islam should be the most modern religion," he said.

Many participants agreed, but some also cited inevitable strains. Mohammed Rédouane Abouddahab, a professor of American studies at Lyon University in France, said that Americans' emphasis on the present moment is foreign to Islam. "The question of tradition is very crucial to us," he said. "If you are a Muslim, the past is always there." Noting a spreading sense of alienation and spiritual malaise caused by the "cyber age," Abouddahab asked whether Islam should look to its dynamic early history, with its emphasis on community, to counter it. He cited the expansion of Islam in the

seventh and eighth centuries, when it spread triumphantly out of Arabia in all directions. Muslims during that era created models of governance, four main schools of law, and the ulama, or community of scholars, to preserve doctrine and tradition. Mention of Islam's golden epoch drew a reply from Huda, who warned against idealizing the "oldie goldie classical age" of Islam too much, noting, for example, the often bloody struggles over political power that distracted the Muslim world from its theology and mission. "If we are honest with our past, we have to admit that there are some things that did not work."

AT FIRST, the conversation moved haltingly as Malek Khaldun, a political theorist at Malaysia's University of Malaya who acted as moderator, tried to balance speakers' air time and involve everyone. But soon a more natural pace took hold, with several speakers gesturing dramatically and interrupting one another, never rising from their cross-

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At left, Sadia Mahmood of Pakistan, with Farhat A. Husain, a secretary in



legged positions on the floor.

Mary Lajah of Boxborough, an American convert to Islam and a mosque member, spoke freely. The three female Fulbright scholars in the room said little at first, but Farooqui, the professor of Islamic studies in Hyderabad, India, eventually spoke up, in her calm way, several times.

Fulbright scholar Sadia Mahmood, a doctrinal student and instructor in comparative religion at the Fatima Jinnah Women's University in Pakistan, said that one aspect of modernity—the separation of church and state-challenges conservative Islam's long tradition of theocracy and laws dictated by the Koran. "In my country, the religion is the state and state is religion," she said softly. "There is no separation." A standard of modernity that requires dividing religion from government, she added, is unlikely to make much headway in her home country.

Mark Potter, a theology graduate student at Boston College who helped drive the scholars to Wayland, said the spirit of individualism that drives American popular culture poses ethical dilemmas for traditionalists of all persuasions. He cited the conflict between the time-honored expectation that aging parents will be cared for at home by their children and the more "modern" nursing home solution that maximizes the younger generation's career opportunities and income. "Modernity does seem to pose a challenge," he said, but it does so in a similar way for adherents of all ancient religious traditions, including

Catholicism and Islam.

Fulbright scholar Levent Ermek, a Dutch politician who is involved with issues of pluralism and tolerance in his adopted country, pointed out a tendency within the group to blame modernity and defend Islam. "Many Muslim countries face huge difficulties, the exploitation of women, poverty, lack of democratic structures," Ermek said. "To admit and face these problems is not an attack on Islam. So we shouldn't be defensive."

Cheema, the mosque member from Pakistan, pursued the point and, by happenstance rather than design, got in the last word. He said that the lack of education and poverty in some predominantly Islamic countries had actually weakened Islam in those nations, opening the way for politicians and "chauvinistic elements" to usurp Islam for their own purposes. The answer, he said, is for Muslims not to reject modernity, but to absorb and use its best elements—among them, democracy and a more egalitarian understanding of human rights.

The 90-minute discussion ended without a consensus, chiefly because it was so engaging that everyone lost track of the time and had to rush out to keep to the day's schedule. Although Western individualism had come in for some harsh criticism, the scholars packed into vans and cars for their next stop: a visit to Walden Pond in Concord, made famous by a certain American individualist.

Richard Higgins

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DEPARTURE

Mary Brabeck, dean of the Lynch School of Education since 1996, will leave BC at the end of August to become dean of New York University's Steinhardt School of Education. During Brabeck's tenure, LSOE developed successful partnerships with the Boston Public Schools and was ranked 23rd in the country among research graduate schools of education by US News & World Report. Associate Dean Joseph O'Keefe, SJ, has been named acting dean.

FACING THE MUSIC

On July 21, Boston College filed a motion in the U.S. District Court, Massachusetts, to quash subpoenas emanating from the Recording Industry Association of America (RIAA) to turn over the names and whereabouts of three students suspected of infringing on music copyrights over the Internet. Other colleges received subpoenas, including MIT, which filed a motion similar to BC's; Bentley College, Loyola University Chicago, and Northeastern University, which all complied; and DePaul University which said it lacked the information to comply. BC stated that it "has no objection to providing information responsive to the RIAA's request," but that to abide by the Family **Education Rights and Privacy** Act, the University may comply only when such subpoenas have been properly issued. The subpoenas should have been issued in Massachusetts rather than in the District of Columbia, BC argued, and the University must have "reasonable time" to notify students that information about them has been requested. The complete motion can be read at www.bc.edu/bcm

DESCARTES WAS RIGHT

The boom in philosophy

This past spring, the number of undergraduate majors in philosophy climbed to a record 292, continuing a nearly decade-long surge. According to outgoing department chair Professor Thomas Hibbs, Boston College "has always been among the top two or three schools in the country in terms of the number of philosophy majors. Now, there's no one close."

Currently, 3.2 percent of the University's undergraduates are philosophy majors—as compared with 2.4 percent at Notre Dame, 1.7 percent at the University of Chicago, and less than 1 percent at Stanford University. (The most popular major at BC? Communication, with 12.5 percent of students.) The relatively high interest in philosophy is likely due to the wide range of exposures to the subject that Boston College offers, says Hibbs.

All undergraduates have a six-credit requirement in philosophy, which many fulfill with the "Philosophy and the Person" core class. But students also come to the major through interdisciplinary courses. About 400 students each year participate in PULSE, a program that integrates philosophical and theological study with community service. Or students can take one of several versions of "Perspectives," which pairs philosophy with disciplines ranging from the fine arts to the natural sciences.



Rynne and Tellier: They didn't set out to be philosophers.

"People don't start out as philosophy majors," says PULSE professor and new department chair Patrick Byrne. "For some of them it's a brand-new thing." The major becomes a means to work through the "cosmic questions"-how best to live one's life, how to make a more just society, or more basic still, "How can we know anything truly and objectively?" There is no defining profile of the philosophy major, Byrne says. "Half the time I can tell," but "other times it's people who have never really thought about these things" who surprise him by committing to the major.

Paul Tellier '06, a political science/philosophy double major, says he was lured by philosophy's call to "not just look up facts but look in your-

self." Bridget Rynne '03 entered BC intending to major in math but wrote her senior thesis in philosophy; to her, "philosophy is a way of learning. It has developed me—organized my thoughts." According to the department Web site, philosophy majors at BC consistently rank in the top percentiles among students taking the LSAT, the gateway exam for law school admission.

Professor Hibbs, who will assume a new post at Baylor University in the fall, says that during his time at Boston College there was one question he never heard philosophy majors struggle with: When will I use this knowledge? "They see philosophy as contributing decisively to their pursuit of who they are and where they're headed."

Nicole Estvanik

PUBLIC OFFERING

From the Street and academe, analysts meet to figure out the market

If you think the past year's Wall Street scandals exposed the handful of scoundrels pushing weak stocks on small investors, then think hard about the following data, from Dartmouth finance professor Kent Womack, Who spoke at a conference sponsored by the Carroll School's finance department on June 10 in Higgins 300, studied the actions of hundreds of stock analysts from more than two dozen brokerage firms between 1995 and 2001. He found that the analysts issued buy recommendations 67 percent of the time, hold recommendations 30 percent of the time, and sell recommendations 3 percent of the time. Wall Street had plenty of scoundrels, it seems.

At the conference, this point was underscored by a paper delivered by another academic Wall Street watcher, accounting professor Richard Sloan, of the University of Michigan. Sloan's paper, which bore the blunt if congested title "Pump and Dump: An Empirical Analysis of the Relation between Corporate Financing Activities and Sell-Side Analyst Research," considered accusations that stock analysts, under pressure from the investment banking branches of their own firms, hyped stocks of corporations that were planning to issue new equity shares. These new issues, known as IPOs, or initial public offerings, generate enormous fees for the investment banks underwriting them.

Sloan, an amiable gent with a blond pompadour and a clipped Aussie accent, started with the anecdotal evidence, the infamous e-mails in which stock analysts such as Jack Grubman, late of Salomon Smith Barney, admit, even boast, that they're touting

dogs; the stories of investment bankers promising favorable stock ratings as part of their pitch to prospective IPO issuers; the compensation schemes where analysts' pay is tied to investment banking profits; and so on. This troubling evidence aside, Sloan conceded that previous researchers had found very little difference between ratings of the stock of Corporation "X" by analysts whose firms had investment banking deals with the corporation and ratings of the same stock by analysts whose firms had no such deals.

But the previous studies, Sloan contended, were all "turning the wrong dial," because when an issue of new equity is in the offing, all brokerage firms come under pressure to hype the stock. Why? As Sloan put it, "If a company is raising investment capital, you don't want to spoil their party, because sometime in the future [their bank] may come around and spoil your party."

Sloan's study results, in the form of 24 graphs and six tables of statistics displayed via PowerPoint, seemed to indicate that he and his coauthors were turning the dial that mattered. The visuals showed that for stock analysts across the spectrum, long-term forecasts of a corporation's earnings growth peak in the month or two before an IPO by the corporation; so does the degree of error in the long-term growth forecasts. The same went for

the analysts' target prices—that is, their predictions of what a stock will cost a year and two years in the future—which, according to Sloan et al., have proven to be 80 percent too high for corporations doing IPOs but only 20 percent too high for other corporations.

If the conference attendees—some 80 professors, graduate students, and industry suits-believed Sloan was being too hard on Wall Street, nobody ever voiced that belief, nor did anyone even appear surprised by the paper's somewhat depressing conclusions.

In addition to Sloan's paper, another conference high point was the sweeping indictment of a whole academic subdiscipline by one of the aforesaid industry representatives, Richard O. Michaud, president and chief investment officer of the Boston firm New Frontiers Advisors. The targeted subdiscipline, behavioral finance, discards the classical economic view that markets are perfectly rational and uses the methods of psychology to explain odd behavior like the 1990s boom in the stock of unprofitable dot-com start-ups. Michaud argued that behavioral finance disciples ignore obvious rational explanations for the behavior they're trying to account for; that they study sample periods when their explanations work and ignore other periods when the explanations fail; and that their findings have "little investment value"—that is, you

Yale's Goetzmann: Academics have to look beyond investment value.



can't make any money from them.

Yale finance professor William Goetzmann, a sometime practitioner of behavioral finance, attempted a defense, saying he understood Michaud's concerns but that academics have to look at things beyond investment value, such as "what we can learn about the world." Behavioral finance, Goetzmann went on, is "an honest intellectual endeavor" that is barely 10 years old and may yet have "implications for practical decision making."

"If you're willing to say that behavioral finance has no practical implications . . . I'm willing to accept that," needled Michaud, which pretty much ended the conversation.

Michaud's presentation, along with Sloan's, was among the most accessible of a conference that featured screen after screen of complex equations, terms like "the Herfindahl Index," and utterances like this one: "Both return premia result from covariation with a priced-risk factor. . . . " And this one: "We estimate the betas for each test asset from simple returns using Ibbotson's sum-beta methodology with one lag. . . . "

"Does it mean anything for my 401(K)?" a non-expert observer might have asked—the same kind of question Michaud was posing in his rhetorical assault on behavioral finance. The answer would be a conditional yes, given lots of patience and careful listening.

Sloan's paper, of course, had a simple but important message for the small investor: Caveat emptor, especially when it comes to Wall Street types bearing free advice.

Meanwhile, a study by Harvard's Ken Froot and a collaborator, which Froot presented solo at the conference,

found that a stock's style category—foreign or domestic, large cap or small, value or growth—affected the stock's price over and above the stock's fundamentals as reflected in accounting data. Froot, though, wasn't sure whether this effect came from rational, empirically based beliefs about the future performance of stocks in a given category or from irrational behavior, such as following the current rage for one or another kind of stock.

And then there was the paper by Dartmouth's Womack. While Womack and his collaborator didn't take at face value the buy and sell signals emanating from Wall Street, they did take a close look at changes in the signals upgrades and downgrades in analysts' ratings of a stockfrom "buy" up to "strong buy," for example, or from "buy" down to "hold" or "hold" down to "sell." Then they

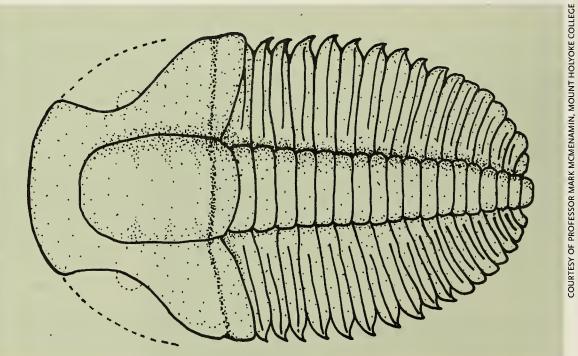
constructed a hypothetical portfolio that buys upgraded stocks and short-sells downgraded ones. The portfolio made hypothetical money, quite a lot of it. Lots more, anyway, than their other hypothetical portfolio, which simply followed the analysts' buy and sell signals, and barely made any money at all.

But, to take full advantage of the upgrade/downgrade strategy, an investor would have to sell off most of his or her holdings every month or so, replacing them with new stocks and new short positions based on the latest upgrades and downgrades. Considering the high cost of stock transactions, this looks like an expensive proposition. Expensive enough to wipe out the gains from the novel investment strategy? Hard to say, admitted Womack. He hadn't gotten around to that calculation.

David Reich

TRIBUTE—James Skehan, SJ, professor emeritus of geology, has a new namesake, a 500-million-year-old fossil genus of trilobite officially dubbed Skehanos by its discoverer, geologist Mark McMenamin of Mount Holyoke College. The tag honors Skehan's contributions to the geology of New England.





BATHED IN MEMORY

A Connell School project aims to ease fear in Alzheimer's patients

Joseph Sheridan's Purple
Heart hangs in a case on the
wall near his bed, alongside
the other honors he received
during World War II. He
fought at Guadalcanal, lost
part of his arm and hip during
another clash in the South
Pacific, and overcame malaria.

More recently, however, Sheridan's toughest battle was getting out of bed in the morning. The 79-year-old Natick, Massachusetts, resident, who suffers from Alzheimer's disease, wasn't necessarily sleepy, or lethargic, or depressed. But, with his wife Helen's coaxing and explaining, he understood that he was headed for the shower. And like many Alzheimer's patients, Sheridan loathed that routine activity most of all.

Sheridan didn't resist bathing as forcefully as many patients with dementia. He might complain, or push aside Helen's hand. "He's not our most horrific case, where somebody's punching or biting or really being physically resistant," says BC's Scott Trudeau, project manager of an experimental study at the Connell School of Nursing focusing on Alzheimer's patients and bathing. The three-year study is designed to determine whether reminiscence therapy—the purposeful use of pleasant memories-can distract and relax Alzheimer's patients so they get through, or possibly even enjoy, the bath they once dreaded. Led



by nursing professor Ellen Mahoney, the study is funded by \$800,000 from the National Institute of Nursing Research.

HELEN SHERIDAN is the sweetheart Joe asked to wait for him when he went to war at age 18, and now his wife of 57 years—including the four since he was diagnosed with frontal lobe dementia. A natural storyteller, she embraced the notion that memories could calm her husband. And so, over an eight-week period, she bathed her husband as Scott Trudeau and members of his team observed and taught her reminiscence techniques. Trudeau studied how Helen approached the task; what techniques, including reminiscences, she used; and whether they were effective. And he gauged the patient's resistance and comfort level.

After Trudeau completed his observation, a nurse from

the program worked with Helen, helping her pin down topics that might elicit some of the pleasant recollections still remaining in her husband's long-term memory.

Now, at bath time, Helen routinely talks about the couple's trip to the Australian town where Joseph recuperated after the war. She talks about growing up together in their old neighborhood, about a 1938 snowstorm when milkmen delivered their goods on giant sleds, and about their nine children.

"Reminiscence has the potential to enter into that place that is still intact and craving human connectedness," Mahoney says. The professor has developed a scale for measuring resistiveness, distinguishing 13 behaviors, from saying no to hitting to kicking. Still in its early stages, her project eventually will educate 120 spouse-caregivers in remi-

niscence therapy and compare the bathing experience with and without the intervention. Three BC undergraduates and four graduate students are part of the team.

The study focuses only on patients living at home. That's where more than 70 percent of America's 4 million Alzheimer's patients reside, according to the Alzheimer's Association. Caregivers struggle with a wide range of resistive behavior, particularly around personal health and hygiene—eating, dressing, going to the bathroom, bathing. "It could be Alzheimer's patients feel a loss of control," Mahoney says. "It could be a loss of personal preference. It could be [the perception of threat, or pain." Aggressive behavior, she adds, is generally a last resort, when other cues or complaints have gone unnoticed or ignored.

Trudeau, an occupational therapist who specializes in patients with dementia, says that patients to a degree are aware of their regression. "There's the whole issue of compromised dignity," he says. "On some level, people know they are adults and should be able to do this for themselves." In addition, a confused person may not comprehend the sudden noise of the shower or the need to undress. "If you don't understand that you need a shower, it's very easy to see how people could misinterpret that," Trudeau says. "What are

we getting naked for? If I'm not sure, I'm probably going to resist that."

Trudeau has found it particularly helpful when caregivers elicit water-related memories. One patient in the study, formerly an avid fisherman, would scream and resist strongly at bath time. His wife, instead of begging and cajoling her hus-

band to step in the shower, learned to divert him with memories of a fishing trip when waves crashed over the side of the boat. "The caregiver got good at using the handheld shower to depict the waves," says Trudeau. "Before you knew it, he was wet and he wasn't screaming."

Doctoral candidate Susan

Ruka, MS'97, who has written her dissertation on reminiscence therapy during bathing, tried using memories specifically related to water on the four nursing home patients she studied. Two showed significant improvement. One of them, a 69-year-old woman, had attended a White House dinner during the Ford administration.

Instead of focusing on memories of the event, Ruka would talk about how the woman showered and prepared for the party, helping her to accept the bathing process more calmly.

At least one spouse in Mahoney's study, the husband of an Alzheimer's sufferer, has taken the power of reminiscence beyond the bath, strategically placing stacks of photographs around the house. "If he gets in a resistive situation," says Trudeau, "he uses the photos to distract, reframe the situation, and move on."

Mahoney's approach helps preserve an overall climate of adult respect. "The person who is 70 or 80 or 90 is not a two-year-old," says Mahoney. "Alzheimer's patients have a lifetime of experience. They have ways of coping. They have a sense of self that may be changed, but it's not lost."

In a small way, reminiscing helps Helen Sheridan see her husband as he once was. Learning to call up pleasant memories at bath time has changed a dreaded chore into a calmer, private interval. "It used to be just another job. Now it's a peaceful few minutes together," Helen says. "Afterwards, when he puts his arms around me, he lets me know he's pleased and he's content." The old ordeal has become, she says, an opportunity, a "time for getting close to someone who's becoming a stranger."

Gail Friedman

Gail Friedman is a freelance writer based in the Boston area. The reminiscence therapy study is recruiting participants through January 2005. For information call (866) 576-4484.

ON MY TURNING 61

TO MY SON ALEX, 37

by Bill Costley

Felled by Spring tree-pollen, I slept my birthday filled with pills; by evening I was at Minado's buffet, a human dugong grazing on a wet bale of black hijiki with orange carrot-threads, under an inspiring row of grey rubber sharks. (Sharks weren't served.) Next morning, I woke to hear geese honking loudly outside & opened your thoughtful gifts' bright celestial-metallic wrapping: a Celtic-rose letter seal with a gold & a brown candle replacing my fading old pictogram stamp (its meaning, forgotten) & a Peter Pauper edition of Franklin's Poor Richard's Almanack, I've never read. (America's 1st spymaster, Franklin imprisoned his illegitimate son, William, Royal Governor of New Jersey.) You're legitimately mine, & I, yours. When people remark our strong resemblance, I tell them you're The Improved Version who's gone further & achieved more, fulfilling my hope he be healthy, safe, secure, even in these, our interesting times: safe from the AIDS pandemic, a condo owner, soon a PhD, with a job. (If I had them all I'd be legit.) Remember: we semi-share a body: some of my genetic code is yours, maybe longevity. If I live the expected age of 72.92 you'll be 49.75, gazing at my endless hair, wondering: Why didn't I inherit that gene? Not the important one; contra continuous deception, it's clarity: knowing what's unsaid, what it actually means, & acting on it. If clarity's cold comfort, my body will endow you with endurance: live beyond me, Alex.

Bill Costley '63 is a poet, playwright, and journalist based in Wellesley, Massachusetts. To hear him read this poem aloud, go to www.bc.edu/bcm

Deconstruction

In his new book, *The Houses We Live In*, Jeffery Howe looks at the meaning of American homes, from log cabin to glass pavilion. An interview by Nicole Estvanik

What kind of house did you grow up in? It was white, one story, five rooms. Very plain and very low-budget, in a small town up in northern Minnesota. My favorite thing about it was actually the trees in the yard.

Which of the houses in your book would you want to live in?

In certain seasons, Frank Lloyd Wright's Fallingwater, in Mill Run, Pennsylvania. The Airplane House by Purcell and Elmslie in Woods Hole, Massachusetts, could be my summer home. I would love to live in George Bourne's Wedding Cake House in Kennebunk, Maine—until it needed painting. And there are some wonderful homes out in Arizona by Bart Prince that look like spaceships.

I'm drawn to houses that have a great contact with nature or that have a strong current of imagination.

When did U.S. domestic architecture come into its own?

America has always focused on architecture. But the rest of the world didn't pay attention until the late 19th century, with the emergence of Henry Hobson Richardson and Frank Lloyd Wright.

There were isolated works of genius before that—Jefferson's Monticello, Washington's Mount Vernon. But in the late 19th century, after almost a hundred years of eclectic historical revival, the issue of originality became more pressing in America and Europe.

Voices began to rise asking, Why are we always copying Greek or Gothic or Romanesque? In Spain, Antonio Gaudí was doing some very original work; and in France, Belgium, and England, there was Art Nouveau.



Howe: "America is in love with the single family house."

In this country, Wright and Richardson tried to make something new out of American sources and multicultural influences—from Japan, for example.

What's "the next new thing" in U.S. domestic architecture?

I don't know. But I know it will reflect our social patterns, how families live and are configured. The big Victorian houses of the 19th century were predicated on large families and servants, for example. Nobody has servants anymore, and families are smaller.

Still, America is in love with the single family house, compared with European countries where people often live in row houses or apartment blocks. Recently we've been through a phase that's the

equivalent of the SUV, building behemoths that aren't easily adaptable to multi-family living.

If your book were titled *The Dormitories We Live In*, how would you describe BC student housing?

I have to say, I'm not that familiar with the dormitories, except from the outside. But as an ensemble, I think the BC campus works really well.

As you approach from Boston, the University looks like an old Italian hill town, with the towers and the different clustered dorms. I like that effect: the jostling and juxtapositioning of these shapes.

Jeffery Howe is a professor of fine arts. His book The Houses We Live In: An Identification Guide to the History and Style of American Domestic Architecture (Thunder Bay Press, 2002) is available at a discount from the BC Bookstore via the BCM Web site: www.bc.edu/bcm

SOUTHERN EXPOSURE

A move that would have taken Boston College, Miami, and Syracuse from the Big East to the Atlantic Coast Conference came to an unexpected halt on June 25 when ACC university presidents issued invitations to Miami and Virginia Tech and ended six weeks of negotiations, site visits, politicking, and public speculation.

At a campus press conference on June 26, University President William P. Leahy, SJ, said that Boston College had entered into discussions

with the ACC for three reasons: The ACC includes universities that are ranked among the nation's top 40 academic institutions, as is Boston College; the ACC is among the most "stable" conferences in the country; and the ACC offered a possibility of increased revenue. Leahy later told the Boston Herald that he had no regrets about looking into the ACC option. Higher education, he said, "is always filled with opportunities and changes, and you have to be

able to adapt. We have to look at the future and, in light of our past traditions, respond in useful and creative ways."

Sitting beside Leahy at the press conference, athletics director Gene DeFilippo characterized the previous weeks as "a roller coaster ride, filled with bizarre twists and turns," but noted that while the final results were surprising and disappointing, BC had begun discussions with the ACC "to better secure the future of our athletics program." That work,

he said, would now continue in partnership with other Big East colleges. "We are going to work hard to make the Big East as strong as it can possibly be," he said. Asked whether BC would cancel its August 30 football opener at Alumni Stadium against the ACC's Wake Forest, DeFilippo said no, adding, with a smile, that he did hope to beat the Demon Deacons. Leaning toward his microphone, Leahy appended, "Soundly."

Ben Birnbaum

FRONT LINE REPORT

Survey looks at what teachers say about state-mandated tests

In debates over state-required educational testing, politicians and the business community have been clearly heard, as have teachers' union leaders, the occasional clutch of student protesters, and parents of children in special education. What we've not gotten thus far is a thorough read of views from the group best positioned to describe the impact of testing in the classroom—teachers. In March, the National Board on Educational Testing and Public Policy, based in BC's Lynch School of Education, released the results of a nationwide survey aimed at filling that gap.

In all, the responses of 4,195 teachers were analyzed by a team of researchers led by professors Joseph Pedulla and George Madaus and research associate Lisa Abrams. The teachers came from high-, medium-, and low-stakes testing environments, and from elementary, middle, and high school classrooms. They were asked to report the impact of testing on what they taught and how they taught it, to assess the benefits gained from mandatory testing, and to represent the effect of testing, as they observed it, on their students and colleagues.

By 2008, some 70 percent of U.S. students, in 24 states, will feel the impact of highstakes testing in the form of a graduation requirement. As the researchers note, "the most severe sanctions" for a

failing test score—which can also include retention in grade—are usually reserved for older students. With some surprise, then, the authors report survey results that they characterize as "counterintuitive": More elementary teachers (82 percent) than high school teachers (69 percent) described "extreme" anxiety among their students about state testing. What's more, elementary teachers were far more likely to report that teachers in their schools wanted to switch out of the specific grades targeted for testing in their state (43 percent, versus 24 percent at the high school level).

If the impact of testing is more keenly felt in elementary schools, say the authors, it may be because elementary teachers "have to deal with several tested subjects per grade"—language arts and math, for example—rather than a single content area. More than 50 percent of elementary school teachers (twice as many as their high school counterparts) in high-stakes states reported that they spend in excess of 30 class hours per year on test preparation.

THOUGH THE impact appears greatest at the elementary level, the researchers describe signs of a "narrowing of the curriculum" generally in the schools of high-stakes states. Teachers reported declines in the time devoted to instruction in fine arts (35 per-

cent of teachers noted this), foreign languages (22 percent), and industrial/vocational education (31 percent). They also reported less time for field trips (38 percent) and class enrichment activities such as guest speakers (34 percent).

However, in two respects, teachers from high-stakes states were more likely than teachers from states with the lowest stakes to find value in the testing mandates. Fortythree percent (versus 31 percent) said that testing had "brought much-needed attention to education issues in [their] district." And 9 percent (versus 4 percent) said the tests inspired "previously unmotivated students to learn." Still, the researchers emphasize, in both instances these were minority views. Asked whether the gains from testing outweighed the costs in time and money, nearly three-quarters of teachers at every level of stakes said no. Nearly 40 percent maintained that test scores could be raised without actually improving learning.

THE RESEARCHERS devote a section of their report to what they term the "unintended consequences" of state testing. Among their findings: Twenty-eight percent of high school teachers in high-stakes states said that testing has caused "many students in [their districts] to drop out." In another vein, one-third of all teachers in high-stakes states said that teachers in their schools have opted not to use computers when teaching writing, because the statemandated writing test calls for "handwritten responses."

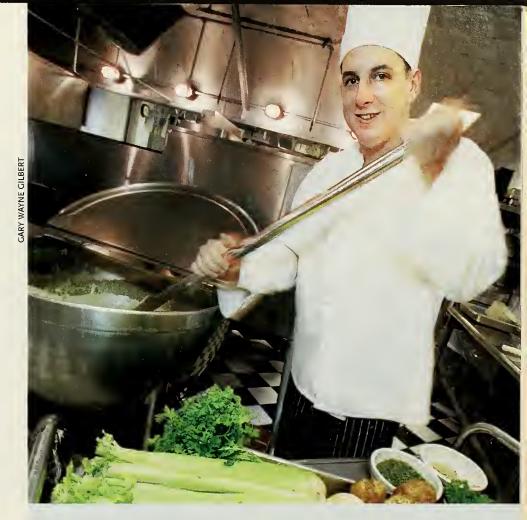
Teachers had varying opin-

ions when it came to deciding who should be held accountable for low test scores. Overall, say the researchers, they were "neutral" about applying repercussions to students directly. They viewed holding schools accountable as being "moderately inappropriate," while holding individual teachers accountable was deemed "moderately to very inappropriate." The reason for this gradation, the researchers suggest, can be found in the response to another survey question: More than 80 percent of teachers at all levels agreed that "score differences from year to year ... reflect changes in the characteristics of students rather than changes in school effectiveness." In other words, teachers have little control over which students will walk through their classroom door in September or what these students' needs and capabilities will be.

Thus far, say the researchers, the involvement of teachers in the development of state testing programs has been spotty. In some states, teachers have not been included in the process; in others, the number of teachers involved has been "small." "Only by listening to what teachers tell us is happening," say the authors, "can we be confident that [the programs] are having the intended effect."

Anna Marie Murphy

The full text of the paper entitled "Perceived Effects of State-Mandated Testing Programs on Teaching and Learning: Findings from a National Survey of Teachers" can be downloaded at www.bc.edu/research/nbetpp



CHOWDA

Mike Killeen joined the campus dining service in 1990, and took charge of the kitchen at St. Mary's Hall, the main Jesuit residence at BC, four years ago. His recipe for Boston fish chowder, a Friday staple at St. Mary's, was published in the April issue of *Company Magazine* as part of a feature story on "Jesuit comfort food." Killeen normally cooks for 75. The version below serves six.

1 lb cod or haddock (cut into 1 1/2-inch pieces)

6 tbsp butter

1/2 cup flour

2 small bottles of clam juice

2 cups diced potatoes

1 cup chopped onion

1 cup chopped celery

3 bay leaves

1 tsp thyme

1 quart half-and-half

salt and black pepper to taste

Make the roux by melting butter in a small saucepan and adding the flour. Cook over low heat, stirring continuously, until flour and butter are thoroughly mixed and bubbling a bit, about 5 minutes. Put roux in a Dutch oven or other heavy pan with cover, add clam juice, and bring to a boil, stirring, until thickened. Reduce heat and add potatoes, cover, and cook for 10 minutes. Add onions and celery and cook until onion is soft, about 10 minutes. Add fish, thyme, and bay leaves and simmer for 10 minutes (potatoes should be tender). Add half-and-half. Continue simmering for 10 more minutes. Put a pat of butter into each bowl, ladle chowder over, and garnish with parsley.

Clams may be substituted for fish. If the clams are already cooked, put them in for the last 5 minutes only; otherwise they will get tough.

THE JIG IS UP

On its 10th anniversary, world events overtake Gaelic Roots festival

"I think it's great we're going out with a bang, not a whimper," emcee Earle Hitchner said at the June 21 concert that concluded the 10th annual Boston College Gaelic Roots Summer School and Festival. The Saturday show, performed by Celtic musicians who came from all over the world to teach at the weeklong event, has always been called the Farewell Concert. But this year, the farewell was final. A few weeks earlier, organizers had decided to retire the festival, primarily because of recent U.S. strictures on foreign visitors stemming from concerns about international terrorism.

Hitchner's remark captured the Robsham Theater crowd's mood of sadness, anger, and bewilderment. The festival seemed in such good health. All 540 student slots had been filled since early February. Every public performance was sold out. In total, more than 2,000 people visited the Boston College campus for this year's program.

Before the Farewell Con-

cert began, Thomas Hachey, executive director of the Center for Irish Programs at Boston College, addressed the audience with assurances that "this is not a lessening of commitment to Irish music and dance on the part of Boston College." Séamus Connolly, the festival's organizer, he said, will remain in his position as director of Irish studies in music and dance.

Indeed, the decision to end the festival series was almost entirely Connolly's. Asked why, he said, "New visa and homeland security rules. Teachers from other countries can no longer send in their passports to embassies and have them approved for work visas. They have to make an appointment by phone, then travel to their country's U.S. Embassy and appear for an interview before they are approved. With all the demands that added, both in time and expense, I just decided the festival was no longer feasible." Irish singer Len Graham, for instance, who has toured the United States several times, had to travel to Belfast for three separate interviews before his visa was approved. Two other performers on this year's roster were unable to attend, because they could not get appointments at the Dublin embassy that fit their touring schedule.

Connolly worried that he would no longer be able to guarantee the attendance of all the scheduled performers. Students this year traveled from England, Ireland, Austria, 40 states in this country, and five provinces of Canada. Many came specifically to learn from particular artists, whose appearance remained uncertain until their visas were approved, often mere days before the festival was to start.

THE FAREWELL Concert this night displayed the festival's characteristic blend of seasoned traditional masters

The Harney Set Dancers at the Saturday night Farewell Concert



and young inventive performers. The banjo playing of Tipperary's Gerry O'Connor was so fast and fluid that emcee Hitchner heard guitarist Tony McManus whisper backstage, "Doesn't he know that's not possible?"

McManus, who hails from near Glasgow, had inspired the same reaction from others a few moments earlier, playing Irish dance tunes in ways they had never been played on the guitar. Young Shetland Islands fiddler Catriona Macdonald seemed a star on the rise, her playing at once timeless and bubbling with modern sass.

Among the venerable music legends honored was New England contra dance pianist Bob McQuillan, whose compositions have served as bridges between the music's past and future.

Hitchner, who writes about music for the Wall Street Journal and the Irish Echo, said it was that expansiveness, along with Connolly's reputation as an educator and 10-time All-Ireland Fiddle Champion, that had earned the festival respect. "In the Celtic community, everybody knows about Gaelic Roots," he said. "I watched the musicians this week, and they all had cameras with them, students and teachers alike, getting pictures of themselves with all the other musicians. It was like they were graduating from college, and wanted to remember everything about this week."

Elizabeth Sweeney, director of the Irish Music Center at BC's Burns Library, works closely with Connolly throughout the year, as she catalogues the largest academic repository of traditional



Flute player John Skelton (left) with guitarist McManus. On fiddle is Connolly. Too busy to perform, he directed the program backstage.

Irish music in the United States, and while she shares the general sadness at the passing of the festival, she feels even more powerfully a sense of relief-especially for Connolly. "I see how hard he and his wife Sandy work to make this happen," she said. "They take their computer on vacation; he works on this day and night and all year long." And indeed, with visa problems mounting, Connolly had been growing increasingly concerned that the event was draining too much from his primary mission of educating Boston College students.

Which leads to the good news. Gaelic Roots is only ending as a weeklong event. "What I want to do," Connolly says, "is incorporate Gaelic Roots into a series of weekend workshops, concerts, noontime performances on campus for the students, and events that bring these musicians into the classroom more."



So at the end of the Farewell Concert, folks got to hear what, after three hours of music, they most wanted to hear. "It's not the end of it, you know," Connolly said to the crowd. "It's just the beginning. We're going to have a long, long history of Celtic music and dance here at Boston College."

Scott Alarik

Scott Alarik writes about folk music for the Boston Globe and is the folk critic for public radio's "Here and Now." He is the author of Deep Community: Adventures in the Modern Folk Underground (2003).

FIVE DEGREES

At Commencement exercises on May 19, five honorary degrees were awarded, all to alumni: Commencement speaker Erik Weihenmayer '91, the first sightless mountain climber to scale the world's "Seven Summits"; Kathleen Carr, CSJ, M.Ed.'84, superintendent of schools for the Archdiocese of Boston; Rattigan Professor Emeritus of English John L. Mahoney, Sr. '50, MA'52; Dawn McNair '82, M.Ed.'83, the 2001-02 Massachusetts Teacher of the Year; and Thomas A. Vanderslice '53, a private investor and BC trustee.

ELECTRONIC ELECTION

Derrick Williams and Thomas Rochowicz, both '04, will serve this fall as president and vice president of the Undergraduate Government of Boston College (UGBC). They are the first to be elected under a new on-line balloting system, which improved voter participation by 225 percent.

DEATHS

- Marguerite "Peg" Connolly, BC employee from 1985 to 1999 in the athletics and geology/geophysics departments, on May 20, at age 66.
- Samuel Gerson '63, BC trustee from 1986 to 1995 and trustee associate since 1995, on July 12, at age 61.
- Francis P. Molloy, SJ, '40, BC philosophy professor from 1952 to 1988, on July 9, at age 84.
- Gregory B. Monack '06, on June 10, at age 19.
- Felix F. Talbot, SJ, BC theology professor from 1963 to 1975, on June 26, at age 92.
- Boleslaw A. Wysocki, BC psychology professor from 1975 to 1998, on July 14, at age 91.





Through Islamic eyes

Five manifestations of the Muslim vision

By Sheila S. Blair and Jonathan M. Bloom

Editor's note: When they began studying Islamic art "some 30 years ago," say Boston College fine arts professors Sheila S. Blair and Jonathan M. Bloom, "there were no good introductory textbooks that undergraduates could read." Ten years later, as they embarked on their teaching careers, "there were still none, and we had to make do with stacks of photocopied articles and chapters assigned from one book or another."

That is how the professors have described their early days in a field that is still, they say, in the for-

mative stage of development. Individually and together—the pair are the married coholders of BC's Norma Jean Calderwood University Professorship of Islamic and Asian Art—the two have gone some way toward filling the empty shelves. Between them they've authored or edited a dozen books on Islamic art and culture, including four written together.

Sadly, as Blair and Bloom note, nothing has done more to boost the study of Islamic belief and culture, including art, than unsettling world events, from the oil crisis of the early 1970s to the emergence of radical Islamic terrorists. Recently, *BCM* invited Professors Blair and Bloom to select works of art that offer telling insights into the Muslim worldview.

THE ADVERTISING AGE

The Dome of the Rock, standing in splendid isolation atop the Temple Mount in Jerusalem, is the first major work of Islamic art and architecture. When Muslim Arab armies conquered Jerusalem in 638, the area of the Temple Mount—the traditional religious center of Jerusalem, the locus of Adam's burial, Abraham's sacrifice, and the temples of Solomon and Herod—lay in ruins, as Christians had focused their attention on other parts of the city. Muslims identified Jerusalem as the "furthest place of prayer," from which the Prophet Muhammad made his miraculous night journey to heaven, mentioned in chapter 17 of the Koran.

The Dome of the Rock was commissioned in 692 by the Umayyad caliph Abd al-Malik, 60 years after Muhammad's death. The architect is now unknown, but he was most certainly acquainted with late antique and Byzantine construction. In typical Byzantine style, columns of pink and green marble, together with stone piers sheathed in plaques of white marble veined with gray, support the structure's stone arches and walls, which also are covered with marble plaques or with colored and gilded glass mosaics that sparkle in the light.

An eight-sided building, the Dome of the Rock has a 115-foot domed central space, more than 60 feet in diameter, encircled by a relatively low (30-foot) ceilinged space so wide that it is subdivided by an arcade. The dome is wooden, with a metal roof, originally lead, plated with gold on the outside.

A narrow band of Arabic inscriptions—in glass mosaic of gold letters on a blue background—runs for some 800 feet along the top of the arcade. The text, largely from the Koran, explains Islam and refutes the tenets of Christianity (for example, from Koran 112: "There is no god but God alone, without partner. Say: He is God, One, God, the

Everlasting, who has not begotten and has not been begotten"). The building, the text suggests, was meant to advertise the presence of Islam in a city full of important monuments to Judaism and Christianity. By its location and even by its shape—which echoed the design of the Church of the Holy Sepulcher on the spot where Jesus is said to have been buried—the Dome of the Rock announced Islam as the worthy successor to the earlier monotheistic revelations.

Contrary to popular opinion, the Koran does not ban human or animal representation (conservative Islamic legal opinion weighed in against their depiction in religious contexts only centuries later). Yet no human or animal appears in the building's mosaics. Muslims believe that God is unique and without associate and therefore cannot be represented. God is to be worshiped directly, without intercessors, so there is no need for saints. And since the Koran contains little in the way of narrative, especially compared to the Bible, there is no call to depict stories, as Christian artists often have done in their religious art.

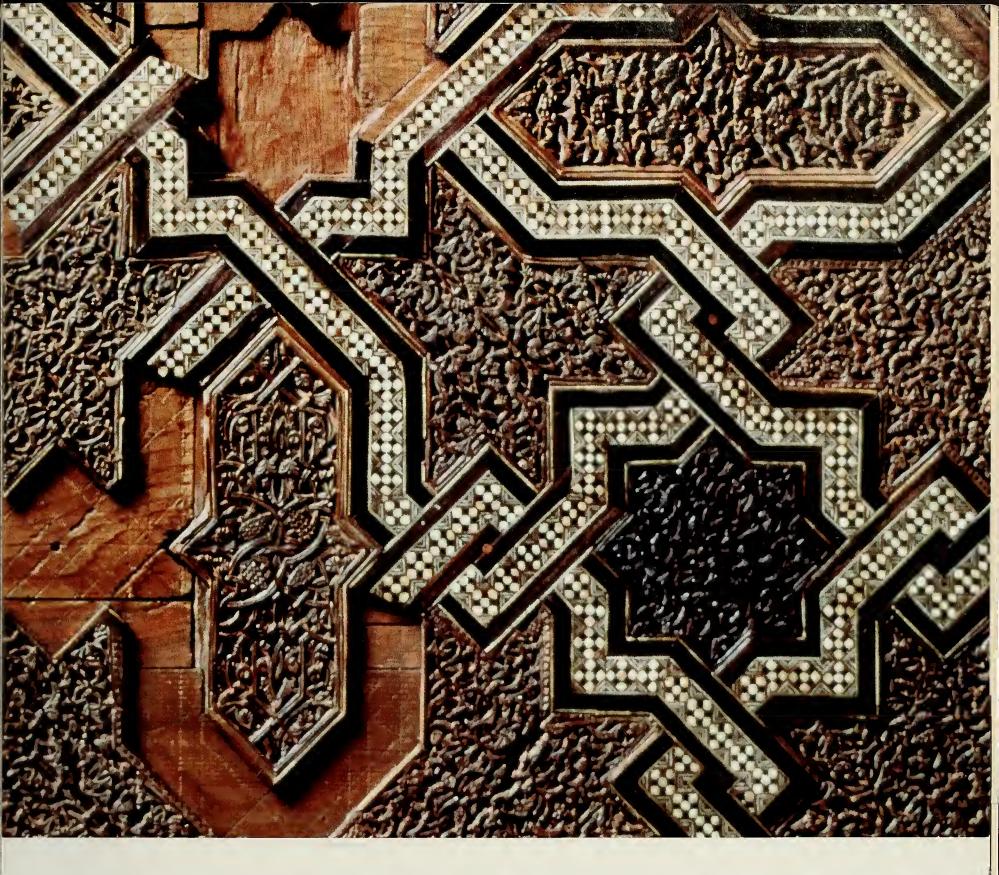
As for the fantastic trees, plants, fruits, jewels, chalices, and crowns filling the building's mosaics, their message is a matter of scholarly speculation today. Byzantine artists had used such motifs to set off, frame, or link their human or divine figures. The same artists, when employed by Muslim patrons, as they often were in early Islamic times, may simply have turned what had been subsidiary elements in Christian art into their main subject.

A MILLION IN ONE

Because wood was precious in the arid lands of North Africa and western Asia, craftsmen throughout the Muslim world used it to make the one article of furniture required in every congregational mosque—the minbar. From the minbar, a



Previous page and right: the Dome of the Rock, Jerusalem



Above: detail of the minbar from the Kutubiyya Mosque, Marrakesh

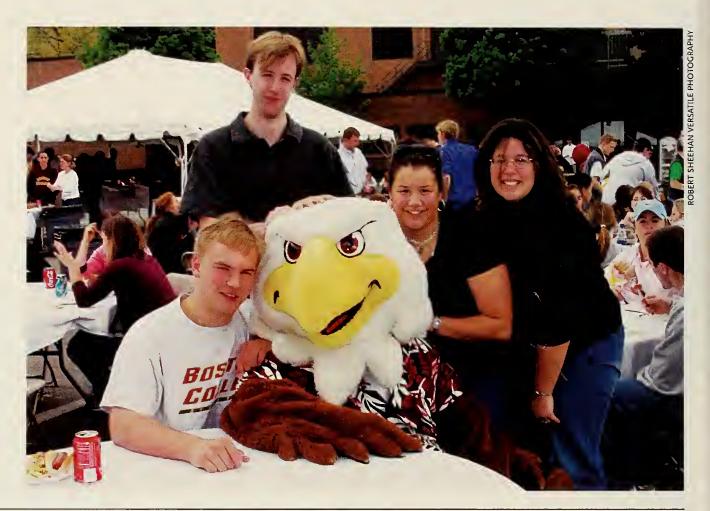
stepped pulpit, the preacher gives the sermon at Friday noon worship. Derived from the judge's chair of pre-Islamic Arabia, the minbar became a symbol of authority for early Muslims, somewhat comparable to the bishop's cathedra in the Christian tradition.

The minbar from the Kutubiyya Mosque of Marrakesh, in southern Morocco, is perhaps the most beautiful of all examples to survive from the medieval period. It was ordered, according to a newly deciphered inscription on its left side, at Córdoba, Spain, on September 19, 1137 (the first day of the Muslim lunar year 532), for the congregational mosque in Marrakesh. The patron was likely the Almoravid sultan Ali ibn Yusuf, whose long reign (1106-42) was one of the most brilliant in the history of the Muslim West. Marrakesh was the political capital of the sultan's realm, whereas

Córdoba was its intellectual, social, and artistic center. This minbar, which stands nearly 13 feet high, 11 feet deep, and three feet wide, was prefabricated so that it could be transported in pieces the hundreds of miles from Spain across the Strait of Gibraltar and over the Atlas Mountains.

Every visible surface of the Kutubiyya minbar was originally an intricate web combining inlay and marquetry (wood mosaic) with carving. On the flanks, stars of African blackwood, hexagons of tan boxwood, and frog-shapes of reddish jujube are enclosed in a strapwork pattern of precious woods and bone. The vibrant result (see illustration above) resembles tile wall mosaics from contemporary Moroccan architecture. Some of the carved panels measure several inches across, but many of the pieces from which the decoration is composed are smaller than a grain of rice. The structure originally was comprised of more than 1.3 million pieces of wood.

Within decades after it was begun, the minbar was used Continued on page 30 COOKING—The Class of 2003 had more to celebrate than just good food at the Senior Class Barbecue on May 13. This class was the first to cross the threshold of 40 percent participation for their senior class gift. Spurred by a matching gift challenge from Thomas F. Ryan, Jr. '63, a Boston College trustee, the class surpassed Ryan's 35 percent target challenge and together with his matching contribution raised a record gift of \$70,000 for the Boston College Fund.



FOR THE AGES

A grant to study the graying of America

The Center for Retirement Research at Boston College has received a \$1 million grant from The Atlantic Philanthropies for a comprehensive series of research projects devoted to a rapidly looming social and economic development: the convergence of an aging population and a slowdown in the growth of the labor force.

According to Alicia
Munnell, the center's director
and Peter F. Drucker Professor
in Management Sciences, the
Atlantic grant will "provide a
crucial source of support for
in-depth analysis of a pressing
policy question: What role can
and should continued work

play in ensuring income security for an aging society?"

The Center will undertake five interrelated studies over four years. These studies will not only examine the broad and complex social and economic challenges involved in accommodating an aging labor force, but will also evaluate specific steps that government, employers, and older workers themselves can take to help manage what will be a major demographic transition. Nationally recognized, the Center for Retirement Research at Boston College, part of a consortium that includes a parallel center at the University of Michigan, was

established in 1998 through a five-year grant from the Social Security Administration. Its main goals are to promote research on retirement issues and to transmit new findings to policymakers and to the public.

"Through our efforts, individuals will gain a greater understanding of why continued work is an increasingly vital ingredient for old-age security. Employers will learn how they can adapt their workplace and culture to accommodate the older workers they are likely to need as the growth of the labor force slows. And government leaders will obtain the knowledge they need to make

well-informed decisions about reducing barriers to work for older Americans," Munnell says.

Working with Munnell is Joseph F. Quinn, dean of the College of Arts & Sciences, and an advisory board that includes Gary Burtless of the Brookings Institution, Robert Hutchens of Cornell University, and John Rother, director of legislative and public policy at AARP.

The Atlantic Philanthropies has a longstanding interest in aging and, like the Center, a commitment to ensuring that older Americans have the knowledge and skills to maintain a decent living standard.

During the month of November, the BC Alumni Association will post your remembrances in St. Mary's Church. Please share with us the names of the people you would like remembered by returning this card. You may also send your remembrances by e-mail to remembrances@bc.edu.

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Dear Boston College/Newton College Alumnus/a:

Fall marks the beginning of the academic year and, for us at the Alumni Association, the beginning of the alumni lifecycle. We are in the midst of reunion planning with the classes whose class year ends in 4 or 9. This fall we will be launching a new national program, which you can read more about in Jack Moynihan's letter on page 31 of these Class Notes. You can view a calendar of upcoming Alumni Association events on page 16.

We will kick off the football season with FanFest, a fun-filled family celebration held before the Eagles take on Wake Forest at the Heights on Saturday, August 30. Join the Alumni and Athletic Associations at the Flynn Recreation Complex before home games this fall. Bring your family and friends and listen to the BC Band, shop at the mobile BC bookstore, meet classmates, student athletes and the cheerleaders, while your children enjoy playing on our giant games or throwing a football with Baldwin, the BC mascot.

The Church in the 21st Century (C21) continues to provide thoughtful discourse and dialogue on the crisis in the Church and the opportunities for reform and renewal. This year, the C21 initiative will focus on renewal. The Alumni Association will continue to feature national C21 programming and dialogues with the University President and distinguished members of the Boston College faculty. Please refer to the C21 Web site www.bc.edu/Church21 for C21 national and local programs and resources.

We welcome John J. Griffin, Jr. '65, as he begins his tenure as president of the 2003-04 national alumni board. John brings a commitment to tradition and a forward-thinking approach. This summer John and the executive committee of the board have worked hard with the BCAA to find ways to further the mission of the University as ambassadors of Boston College.

You can look forward to some exciting programs and opportunities for involvement this year. We hope that you will apply for one of the alumni service programs, such as the Alumni Jamaica Experience, or participate in a local service initiative. We also encourage you to take a moment to nominate one of your classmates for an Alumni Achievement Award or for the national alumni board of directors. The spirituality committee of the alumni board will reintroduce the Mass of remembrance for our deceased alumni to take place each year on the Feast of All Souls in November. Please take a minute to return the inserted remembrance card to the BCAA.

The role of the Alumni Association is to reconnect you to Boston College by providing meaningful opportunities for you to be involved with the University. Once you graduate from Boston College, you are a lifelong member of the Boston College Alumni Association and there are benefits afforded to you as a stakeholder in this mission. Contact the Alumni Association to learn about leadership opportunities and the benefits of membership attached to the BCAA.

We hope to see you at FanFest this fall and look forward to your presence at the Alumni Achievement Awards ceremony at Robsham Theater at 7 P.M. on September 25.

Ever to Excel,

Line Cotter Regon '82

Grace Cotter Regan '82

Executive Director



ALUMNI ASSOCIATION

CLASS NOTES

2003 ALUMNI ACHIEVEMENT AWARDS

On September 25, 2003, the Alumni Association will continue its tradition of honoring distinguished graduates at the Alumni Achievement Awards Ceremony at Robsham Theater at 2 P.M.. The outstanding recipients will be recognized for demonstrating excellence in their respective fields and for exemplifying the "Ever to Excel" motto of Boston College. All alumni and friends are welcome to attend the ceremony and complimentary reception which follows. Please call 800-669-8430 to make a reservation.

Recipients of the 2003 Alumni Achievement Awards

Arts and Humanities: Professor John J. Michalczyk '66, M.A. '67

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Law: Robert J. Muldoon '60, M.A. '61, LL.B. '65

Public Service: Victor F. Ciardello, Jr. '65

Religion: Archbishop Timothy P.A. Broglio '73

Science: Paul J. Hesketh '74

Young Alumni Award of Excellence: Omari L. Walker '97, M.Ed. '02 William V. McKenney Award: John E. Joyce '61, M.B.A. '70

Visit www.bc.edu/alumniawards to nominate an alumna/us for the 2004 Alumni Achievement Awards.

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ALUMNI ASSOCIATION 2003-04 BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Dear Fellow Alumni,

On behalf of the Boston College Alumni Association Board of Directors, I wish to invite you to participate with us in what promises to be an exciting and interesting year for your Association.

The clubs committee, chaired by Ken Pierce '79, is working closely with Jack Moynihan, senior associate director, and the new club team, in enhancing a national approach. The classes committee, chaired by Mary Pasciucco NC '75, is working with Amy Belmore and Lauren Pandolfe '99, assistant directors for classes, and Julie Nuzzo NC '74, assistant director for Newton College, to prepare the classes, particularly those involved in reunions, for an enjoyable and productive year. The outreach committee, chaired by Will Dorcena '95, is working to ensure that our communications and involvement with alumni across the country continues to improve from its current high level. Brian Kickham '79, chair of the nominating committee, is working to further strengthen and



diversify the board. Kip Doran '68, our vice president/president-elect, takes over as chair of the awards committee, charged with the daunting task of selecting ten annual Alumni Achievement Awards recipients from an overwhelming number of stellar candidates. Finally, the spirituality committee, chaired by our alumni chaplain, William McInnes, SJ, '44, M.A. '51, is working with Mary Neville M.A. '94 in planning the programs that make the Boston College Alumni Association a uniquely Jesuit entity.

The Association is fortunate to have a board of directors of enthusiastic, committed, involved and creative alumni, and we look forward to collaborating with Executive Director Grace Cotter Regan '82 and her capable team. We are all here to serve you—our members. However, we need your help. Get involved by attending one of the many social gatherings offered by the Association. Volunteer alongside fellow BC graduates to serve in your community. Participate in the ongoing dialog that shapes the BC of tomorrow. Contribute in a way that only you can. Above all, engage with alma mater.

Forward your suggestions and ideas to the staff at Alumni House at alumni.comments@bc.edu.

Very truly yours from the Heights,

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Greg Ludovic died on July 3, 2003, less than a month after turning 100 years old on June 9. Greg played football and was on the track team with his good tennis friend throughout the years, Bob Merrick. Bob was inducted into the Track Hall of Fame recently at BC. David B. Merrick '41, brother of Bob, recently talked with Greg and wife Mary, and was amazed how alert he was in speech, hearing, memory and humor. "Gave up running recently," he told David. Greg was a double Eagle. Please keep Mary and the rest of the Ludovic family in your prayers.

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We recently learned of the deaths of class correspondents Charles McCarthy '30 and Walter M. Drohan '32. We are deeply appreciative of their long service to Boston College and these notes. Please keep their families in your prayers. -Editor. Reverend Denis B. Sughrue, C.S.C., a graduate of B.C. High in 1925 and Boston College in 1929, passed away on October 30 of last year. He was a man of great humility, humor and made everyone around him feel important. In the Spring of 2001, he went to live at Holy Cross House for retired priests at Notre Dame. He had a long and very interesting life. He took his leave of this Earth on Wednesday, October 30, 2002, three days before his alma mater upset Notre Dame in football that Saturday. No doubt he was cheering BC on from his heavenly home.

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REUNION YEAR

As a result of the letters that were sent to the members of the class of 1934, I received a letter from Ike Ezmont enclosing the obituary of Tim Donahue. The obituary notice, which was published in Florida, said that if anyone wants to send a remembrance they could send it to the Francis Ouimet Caddy Scholarship Fund. Tim was a great golfer, as is his wife. • Frank Russell called my office and left a laconic message that he is still living in California. • I heard from John Haley's wife, who said that they are celebrating 49 years of their happy marriage this month. They have taken up residence at a retirement home in Woburn. They are both aged 94. • The payoff was Al Williamson, who wrote me that he had celebrated his ninetieth birthday along with his three great-grandchildren. His

last note was that he was leaving for Maine to fish for three months. He is a northern bird of passage. He visits Maine and Massachusetts in the appropriate seasons. • The chairman of the committee to organize the seventieth reunion, which will be held June 2004, has asked me to include in this report that he would like the members of the class or their family representatives to send any suggestions for, and/or intentions to attend with their spouses and children, a lunch to be held at the Heights in June 2004. Bill Joyce's mailing address is Box 840, Osterville, MA 02655. His street address is 18 Bunker Hill Road, Osterville, MA 02655. • We have three class members, Russell Collins, John Collins and Bill Sullivan, who are retired at Regina Cleri. They never respond, must be too busy. • Does anyone know where John J. White resides? The last address we have is 122 East Lane, Brewster, MA, but the mailman returned a letter undeliverable. • Do not be reluctant to send in appropriate news items.

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The motorbikes that John Griffin and Rita enjoyed so much on the Cape have been left to the class and are available to any member and wife that would like to use them. Helmets are included. Since we expect a lively response, we are limiting each use to two weeks. Call for reservations. • The volleyball team once again ran in the Boston Marathon. They left the course, however, at Natick and ended up at what has become their favorite pub. Symptoms of dehydration were quickly attended to. A couple of Kenyans who followed them by mistake also enjoyed the hospitality. • We had a letter from Anne Fisher telling us proudly about her father, John Kennedy. She included a St. Patrick's Day celebration program from the community-Anaheim-where John lives. He is listed as singing two numbers: "Believe Me If All Those Endearing Young Charms" and "I'll Take You Home Again, Kathleen." He has become a popular member of the community. A write-up in the local paper ends with this paragraph: "His wit, good humor and singing are a welcomed addition to any gathering. He has many talents and is quick to share them with any group or individual. Mr. Kennedy has made the world around him a better place to be." Sounds like a typical member of the class. • Our other Californian, Jack Murphy, has had a rough time lately, first with a delicate heart valve replacement and more recently with a broken hip that required several months in the hospital. He remains undaunted, however, largely through the loving care of his wife, Jean. · Dick Vaughan and Mary are still in good spirits despite a few health problems. A trip on the motorbikes is recommended. • We asked Bill Hannan to send us a copy of one of his weekly columns for the Attleboro Sun Chronicle, and we were very impressed with what we received. First of all, the article was lengthy, spread across five columns of half a page. It was a reminiscence, chiefly of the entertainer Bob Newhart, going back to the days of radio only, and it was illustrated with an old photograph of one of Attleboro's main streets. A headline across the top in bold type says, "Newhart tribute a reminder of better days." Congratulations, Bill. • We asked Dan Holland, our most enthusiastic supporter of alma mater,

to bring us up to date on the third generation of Hollands at the College. Here are the grandchildren, all Hollands: Daniel Brendan 98 has his M.S. from UMass Lowell in physical therapy and is in active practice, Mara Kathleen 'oo got her M.Ed. from Northwestern and is supervisor of reading at St. Mary's school in Chicago in a program for inner-city kids after only three years in the school as a teacher, and Kelly John '03 is graduating as a member of the Cross & Crown Society, a group of outstanding students who engage in social projects like living with impoverished squatter families on the US-Mexican border. Kelly John is headed for a career in medicine. • We have to end on a sad note. On March 6 we lost one of the sturdiest members of our class, Tom O'Brien, due to complications following an appendix operation. Condolences go to his sister Rita.

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I was on the campus in May and checked out the class memorial tree. Happy to say it is flourishing and looks great in the corner of the campus next to the west side of the Tower Building. You recall it was our late classmate Herb Carroll who came up with the idea at the time of our twenty-fifth (long ago and far away!). · We struck out this year on Laetare Sunday-for the first time, no one in the class attended. Hopefully, like the Red Sox, we'll say, "wait until next year." • Father Bob Sullivan died early in April. He had retired as president of Notre Dame of Tacurong in the Philippines, where he spent most of his priestly career. During WWII he was a prisoner of the Japanese for three years. Please remember Father Bob in your prayers. • I regret to report the death of Jack McLaughlin, who died in March. Jack served in the FBI as a special agent during WWII and pursued a career as an attorney after the war. He specialized in probate, real estate and corporate law. He represented many Catholic charities, schools and nonprofit institutions. Jack and Gerry were always at our class luncheons, and he was the one who came up with the idea of having music at the luncheon. Please remember Jack, Gerry and their son, Jack Jr., in

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REUNION YEAR

Greetings once again! It's June 16—deadline day—and our class notes column will be brief for this issue. Why? Very simply because I haven't been lucky enough to hear from any

of you. We did get a nice note from Msgr. Joseph Teletchea's nephew, advising us that his uncle Joe had recently celebrated the sixtieth anniversary of his ordination, successfully weathered some winter surgery and now resides in the Bishop O'Boyle Residence, PO Box 29206, Washington, DC 20017. • The only other good news deserving of mention is the happy birth in May of Eleanor, the first great-grandchild with whom Mary and I have so far been blessed. News-wise, that's it. . Happily, there are no obituaries, and to keep that record up we hope and pray that our 85 or so class of 1939 survivors will remember to take their pills and to keep healthy. But we are still hungry for news about you and yours. Ergo, keep this column alive by dropping me a line, sending me an e-mail or calling up to say "Hello." In the meanwhile, keep in your prayers not only our deceased classmates but also those who are now having health problems. Hope to hear from you-all. Peace! • Hold the press! Tragic news was just telephoned to me by Paul Keane. Our alumni class of 1939 president, John Lynch of Haverhill, passed away on June 26. John has been not only a stalwart BCer, but an activist in trying to organize meetings and memorial Masses for us. Our prayers and sympathy go to his wife Elaine and to his children and grandchildren. He will be sorely missed.

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President Ed Nagle, having in mind the age, disability, etc., of most of us, or of our spouses, has ruled after consultation that the annual Memorial Mass and luncheon on Ascension Day at the chapel at Boston College Law School could be discontinued. In its place, a private celebration by Monsignor William Granville said at Regina Cleri is planned. Accordingly, this column will no longer mark the passing of classmates to their expected reward. A separate section in the BC Magazine does print obituary news. • One perk or benefit of this journalistic responsibility is the receipt of a complimentary copy of the handbook issued to incoming freshmen labeled An Introduction to Boston College and its Jesuit and Catholic Tradition. The essay prepared by the Center for Ignatian Spirituality of Boston College is very informative, and certainly suitable for a diversified student body, one quite different for the most part from the freshman class that arrived in 1936. In the book, every religious leader and philosopher under the sun is quoted: Jews, Muslims, Buddhists, and a representative of Hare Krishna. • Keep the news coming. Let's look forward to a successful football season!

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It was inspiring to attend our annual Mass and luncheon on June 10, 2003 at the Newton campus. I cherish the opportunity to see former classmates and thank God once again that I am able to participate. Our own classmates, Joe Maguire, Ed Cowhig and Simeon Saulenas were the Mass celebrants. • The homily by Bishop Maguire was most sincere, meaningful, timely and thankful as always. He is a great man, person and priest of God, admired by all who have

come in contact with him. He is my Cardinal. Father Cowhig and Father Saulenas serve as wonderful examples of conviction, courage and holiness. Attendance was about 40 with Jim Murray and Jack Kehoe scheduled but unable to come. According to President Nick Sottile, this tradition serves as a great occasion to greet old friends, recall other friends and pray for departed classmates. • Theresa Sliney, wife of Bob Sliney, called with a request to say hello and best wishes to Bob's old friends. Bob was a great man, classmate and athlete, who loved BC and all its traditions. Len McDermott also advised of his new residence at 9398 Hidden Spring Dr., Manassas, VA 20112. He is living with his son and family. He sends regards and regrets not seeing the old crew. • Monsignor Tom Finnegan also was in contact with prayers for all. Tom is another great servant of the Lord living on the Cape and experiencing eye problems limiting his travels. • The early days of June saw the passing of George Hanlon and John Jansen. John was an active member of our committee and contributed greatly to the success of the class. George also had great interest and participated in all our activities. He was handicapped physically over the past few years, but with great courage and determination he never limited his activity. In fact, he was scheduled for our June meeting. The whole time he had the constant support of a loving, devoted wife, Connie Hanlon. All of us who were close to them admired her love and efforts. Lauretta and Tom Galligan were featured on a recent program handout at a Pops performance. Tom served with distinction as CEO of Boston Edison and Lauretta was a member of the Boston Symphony Board of Overseers. Jack Kehoe and Len Frisoli send their regards and wish all of us the best of health and happiness. • Again, I give thanks and credit to Nick Sottile for his tireless efforts to keep us all going. I compose this column without hearing from many, but I close my praying for all and ask God to bless us with health and his love. Remember also all our departed classmates and their families in your prayers. Right now, my family has its own crisis in that Tom, one of my sons, seriously ill, has just been removed from life support.

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Congratulations to John Fitzgerald and Mary, who celebrated their golden wedding anniversary in April. • Congratulations also to Frank Nicholson and to Father Leahy, both of whom celebrated their golden jubilees as priests in 2003. • Physical disabilities caused my early departure from Naples, FL. On the plus side, it enabled me to attend and enjoy the Laetare Sunday celebrations. In my opinion, this annual event makes one truly proud to be a member of the Boston College alumni community. I have sincere praise for those responsible for putting the day together. Thanks to Tom Hinchey, our class has been well represented through the years. In addition to Tom and yours truly, those present this year were Jerry Joyce, Frank Mahoney, Charlie Ahern and John Fitzgerald. I sincerely apologize if I have not included anyone who would have been included had I used a list rather than depend on memory. • While in Naples, our social life was

kept active by the BC Club of Southwest Florida, by Agnes and Frank Colpoys, and by Helen and Jim Stanton. • As I compose these notes, the plans for our annual memorial Mass have just been completed. Those remembered include: Modestino Vitale, Fred Sliney, Fran Doherty, Bill Duggan, Jim Marini, Bill Freni, Harry Ball, SJ, and Eleanor Maguire. A full report on the memorial Mass will appear in the next issue. Congratulations to Joe Nolan, who on Mother's Day, May 11, 2003, commemorated his ordination to the priesthood with Mass at St. Ignatius Church on the BC campus. The Mass was followed by a golden jubilee reception at the home of friends in Wellesley. Frank Dever represented the class at the Mass. My plans to attend were nullified by family Mother's Day plans. Joe will be back from his European trip in time to say our annual memorial Mass. · Senility is creeping in. I very definitely recall acknowledging an error brought to my attention by Vin DeBenedictus, and I promised to make the correction in this issue. However, I now have no recollection of what the error was. Maybe Vin will remind me in time for the next issue. · John Mitchell reports that he is recovering nicely following triple-bypass surgery. He expects to be fully recovered in time to celebrate his fourty-seventh wedding anniversary in October. • As you read this, the football season will have begun. Circumstances have changed my pregame tailgating on Shea Field to pregame socializing in the Hall of Fame Room. Come on down; guests are welcome. If interested, please let me know. In any event, my Helen and I hope to still be found in Section R, Row 24, Seats 13 and 14. Stop by and say "hello."

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Sadly, once again we must begin our column with condolences, first to the family of Bob Bryson, who died April 21. Father Bob was the longtime pastor of St. Albert the Great in Weymouth. • Our condolences next go to Fran and the family of John Foynes, who also died April 21. John was a member of the old Newbury Street group of CBA, an army vet and a lawyer in Boston. • Next, our condolences go to Grace and the family of Ed Welch who died last September 14. Ed was a navy vet, graduated from University of Vermont Medical School and practiced general medicine in Whitman for over forty years. • Condolences also go to the family of John Keane, who died last November in Missouri. This news came from his daughter Lois. John was a physics major and was

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professor of physics at St. Louis College of Pharmacy. • Further condolences go to Frank Conroy on the death of his wife, Jean, on March 23. • We also thank those additional widows who have paid class dues in memory of our late classmates: Betty (Bob) Rehling, Peg (Joe) Turke, Kay (Ed) Divver, Mary (Dick) Schoenfeld, Agnes (Joe) Lyons and Peg (Paul) King. • With many thanks to Joe O'Neil, we learned that he, Jim Harvey, and Maureen and Al Donovan attended the Laetare Sunday service. • Odds and ends from dues payments: Ed Smith tells us that Dave Madden, son of our late Ed Madden, is in his second term as mayor of Weymouth. • Hal Habib has moved to Norfolk and can be reached at 5 Chatham Road or 508-528-1116. · With many thanks to Frank Hill, we learned that a few classmates and widows were present at the alumni-sponsored reunion events on May 31. In addition to Dot and Frank were Ellie and Bob Casey, Dot and Dan Healy, Mildred and Ray Sisk, Anne Marie and Bob Blute, Maureen and Al Donovan, Carol Sue and Bob Donelan, Patricia and John Sarjeant, Agnes Lyons, and Helen O'Meara. • It was great to see so many folks at the sixtieth anniversary luncheon, held on June 10 at the Marriott in Newton. Of those who replied they could not come, the majority of reasons were physical problems, so we wish all those folks the best of health. • Those widows present were Agnes Lyons; Kay Divver; Carol Finnegan; Betty Grimes; Bernadette Corbett; Mary Boudreau; Eunice Power; Peg King, who was accompanied by her two sons, Richard and Greg; and Fran Galligan. Classmates and wives present were the Ray Sisks, John Hayes, the Frank Hills, Lou Alfano, Ernie Santosusso, the Jim Harveys, the Bob Blutes, the Joe Sullivans, Tom Manning, Ed Moloney, Frank Flaherty, the Bob Donelans, Jack Manning, the Vin Stakutises, the John Bellissimos, the Eddie O'Connors, the Tom Currys, the Dan Healys, the Ed Smiths, the George Crisses, the Al Donovans, Bob Winkler, Father Bill Commane, Father Dan Moran, and the Tom Murrays. Late word has it that Jim P. Connolly suffered a broken ankle and is recovering on the Cape. • A really weird excuse: Bill Shea and Pat could not make it because of a very large sinkhole in the driveway that made car operation impossible. • Watch your mail for further news, and please keep in touch.

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REUNION YEAR

The Hub: Boston Past and Present is a great read for all in the class of '44! At our golden jubilee in 1994, University historian and professor of History Thomas H. O'Connor delivered the feature lecture on "Building a New Boston: Politics and Urban Renewal, 1950-1970." Our class president, Paul J. Burns, WWII US Marine Corps, like so many other 1940's BC veterans returning to Boston and completing law school, prepared for post-war life through active involvement in the brave new initiative ushered into the Hub's old City Hall on School Street by Mayor John B. Hines (succeeding the "Young Jim" Curley era). In his superb coverage of the history of Boston, our University historian, noting the coincidence of timing for the Hines New Boston initiative, recalls, "Such measures as social security, unemployment compensation and the extensive benefits provided by the GI Bill of Rights encouraged citizens to become more dependent on the bottomless largess of federal agencies than on the limited handouts of city bosses." O'Connor takes note that "All over America, big city bosses like James Michael Curley are becoming political dinosaurs." His text focuses on the "New Generation" theme of which JFK would later speak in his inaugural address, including, of course, the class of '44, and on the reality that among those who gathered around the Hines banner were "a number of young war veterans, many of whom were participating in a city election for the first time. Better educated, less parochial and more sophisticated in their political idealism, they were clearly ready for a new style of political leadership that would bring honesty and integrity to a city that had acquired a reputation for graft and corruption ... a broad-based coalition of reform-minded Irish, Jewish and Italian voters, as well as ... representatives of the African American community in the South End." As a Gray Line sightseeing lecturer in Boston in my student days, along with '44 classmate and US Marine Corps veteran Tom Comer of Dorchester, I received The Hub as a priceless gift from my daughter Karen, a recent recipient of a volunteer award from the National Parks Foundation for service with Friends of the Boston Harbor Islands, and was rewarded with a great read. While awaiting correspondence from classmates for the next issue of the Boston College Magazine, may I again urge readers of this column to pick up a copy of Thomas H. O'Connor's The Hub at the Boston College Bookstore, your favorite bookstore or local library, and, as I did, get into a comfortable chair, shut off the TV, and enjoy this rightly acclaimed story of Boston, its coping with clashing cultures and its success in surviving-Big Dig and all—into the 21st century. Finally, classmates of the seagoing services (Navy, Marine Corps, Coast Guard and Merchant Marines), many of whom went overseas on LSTs, LSMs, LCIs and APAs and made landings from LCTs, LCMs, LCVPs, etc., the US Navy Memorial Foundation is currently honoring your sea service with an exhibit on the "100th Anniversary of the Navy/Marine Corps Amphibious Program," at 701 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW, Washington, DC. (For info, www.lonesailor.org.)

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We had our class memorial Mass at St. Mary's Chapel on campus and our luncheon on June 5 in Gasson Hall (T-100). Paul Paget was chairman of this event, and, as usual, he did a terrific job. He had a handout at the Mass that included the list of our deceased members and the participants. Father Patrick Kelly and Vincent Burns, SJ, concelebrated the Mass. Dave Hern and Leo McGrath were altar servers. Tom Loftus was the reader, and Charles Earley led the responsorial psalm. Joe Devlin was the leader for prayers of the faithful, and Paul Dawson and Rita presented the gifts. We also had an organist this year, and Paul printed three hymns, which were passed out to all of us for singing with organ. After Mass, we proceeded to Gasson Hall for a lovely luncheon. The food was very good, featuring a seafood Newburg. Bill Noonan, '48, a leader in the Boston College Institute for Learning in Retirement, talked on Father Leahy's "The Church in the 21st Century"

initiative. Bill gave an excellent talk, reminding that in these trying times we should become very active in our parish, discussing the problems in the church today. We had forty people attending the Mass and luncheon. I want to thank and congratulate Paul Paget on a terrific job. I also want to thank Fr. Pat Kelly and Vin Burns, SJ, the concelebrants. Hopefully, we will do this again in 2004. • We lost another classmate this year with the death of John "Mike" Brady, who passed away on March 13. Mike suffered a number of years with respiratory problems. Despite these problems he attended our golden eagle celebration and participated in all the events. The sympathy of the class is extended to his wife, Patricia, and his family. • On the bright side, Joe Harrington celebrated his eightieth with his family at the Seaport Hotel and with a grand dinner at Jimmy's Harborside Restaurant, with 39 children, spouses, grandchildren, nieces and nephews. • Jack McCarthy and Mary Lou and yours truly and Lillian attended BC night at the Pops. This is a great event, and everyone should try to attend next year. • Joe Figurito has written a new book called Giocchino DaFiore and Dante Alighieri on Moral Renewal. This is an exegesis of Dante's *Divine Comedy*. Joe felt that it was proper to present this work now, at the beginning of the third millennium. This book is being published by the Burns Library and will be available when you receive this issue of the Boston College Magazine. Space limitations prevent me from doing this book justice. Joe is a professor emeritus and taught Romance language for 52 years before his retirement in 2000. We congratulate Joe on his new book and his many years of service to his alma mater. · We are all planning our annual football game and dinner for September 27. Bill Hamrock is chair of this event, and some of you will have received a note from him by the time you receive this magazine. Please sign up if you have not done so. . Jack McCarthy, Tom Loftus, Lou Sorgi, Charlie McKenzie and spouses were at Laetare Sunday. • One final note on the Gasson Society and President's Circle Brunch. Bill Hamrock, Joe Figurito, myself and spouses attended this affair held at Gasson Hall (T-100). Father Leahy addressed the group and said that the College was doing very well. Enrollment was up, with over 22,000 applications. Thanks to all of you who responded to our dues request. That's it for now. Ever to Excel!

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Mario Gianelli was honored with former governor Ed J. King at the BC/Navy game last October. Mario played football with the Philadelphia Eagles for four years, including two championship games (now called the Superbowl). He has been retired for ten years. He and his wife have three children and two grandchildren and have been married for 53

years. Mario is a member of the BC Hall of Fame and will be inducted into the Bridgton, ME, Hall of Fame in June. Ed King was widowed in October 1996, after 43 years of marriage. Ed has two married sons and four grandchildren. Two of the grandchildren are twin boys. He is involved in the financial real estate markets and is active at St. Joseph's Parish in Miami Beach, FL. • Three of our classmates have died. John Rebholz died on April 17, 2000. He and his wife, Anne, were married almost sixty years. Thomas J. Kelly died on April 20, 2003. Dick Wilder, Jr., wrote that his father, Richard Wilder, passed away in 1995, and his mother died in 2001. Richard was very proud of his BC background and entertained many alumni at his Cape house. He was an avid football follower and took his family to Dublin for the BC game. · Father Robert Costello and Father Angelo Loscocco celebrated the fiftieth anniversary of their ordinations to priesthood this year. Father Loscocco expects to retire soon. He recently was on a pilgrimage to the shrines of Spain and is planning a trip to Alaska this year. Father Thomas Scanlon celebrated his forty-seventh. Fr. Scanlon is a priest of the Diocese of Baker, OR and has been retired for five years. He helps out at local parishes and has just started helping with Masses in Spanish. • William Kickham has been retired for two years, turned eighty this May and enjoys good health. He has three children and seven grandchildren. Son Michael is a double Eagle. Bill plays golf in Ireland every year. · Robert Morris has been retired for 15 years. He and his wife, Patricia, married for 47 years, have six children and 14 grandchildren. They spend six months in Naples, FL, and six months in Centerville. He is a weekly collector at St. William's Church in Naples. He is also a Knight of the Holy Sepulcher and an active member of the BC Club of Southwest Florida. They recently made a trip to Nova Scotia. • Gene Nash has been retired since 1988. He and his wife, Barbara, have seven children and eight grandchildren. Their daughter Mary got her doctorate in education from BC. Their granddaughter Kate Nash graduated from BC and is now in graduate school there. Grandson Thomas enters BC this Fall. • Edward L. Richmond and his wife, Lisa, have four children and seven grandsons. He has been retired since 1998 but still does some lawyering. They take walking tours in the English countryside and have gone to Paris, DC, NYC and Montreal. He is a town-meeting member in Brookline. • Fred Maguire has been retired for eighteen years. His wife, Lois, died in September 2002. They were married for 51 years. Fred traveled to Ireland for the seventh time recently with his brother Bill ('54) and brother-in-law Tom Cody of Holy Cross. • Bob Marshall and his wife, Gloria, are celebrating their fifty-first wedding anniversary. He is active in real estate and works part time as a nautilus instructor at the Quincy YMCA. He is continuing violin lessons and skied at Loon Mountain with his family last February. • George Savage informs me that his youngest brother, Bob ('50), died in April 2003. George was in the ICU at Carney Hospital with a blood disorder recently. • Mrs. Paul Lane (Joanne Scanlon) wrote that they have four children and nine grandchildren. One daughter is a BC graduate, class of '78. Two of the grandchildren are BC graduates, and one is an undergraduate. She participates in the Scanlon award dinner. Her father was president of the class 1919-1920

and was the president for five terms of the Varsity Club. The Scanlon Award is given each year to the most outstanding scholar athlete. The first award was given to Vic Palladino. • Jim Ward has published a booklet called *PAIDAI* (pay day) that lists six principles of successful sales. You can obtain a copy from him at P.O. Box 766, Smithtown, NY 11787. • Please submit your updates to the above e-mail address.

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REUNION YEAR

A fellow goes to the doctor. The doctor says, "I have good news and bad news" ... Good News: John Driscoll was pictured in the February 27 Chronicle wrapping up his last official day as vice president for administration with a ceremonial final walk down Linden Lane, accompanied by his grandson William Driscoll '05. John has been serving as a special consultant for the president since 1977. • Several classmates attended Laetare Sunday: Tom O'Connor and Mary, Ernie Ciampa and Margaret, Jim Whelton and Louise, John Hickey and Mary, John Carney and Madelyn, and Lou Visco. • John Cahill gets an A for planning. He has two daughters in FL and a son in New Orleans. He gets out of NH early and arrives back home very late. John always was one of the smart ones in the class. • We had 41 classmates respond to president John Carney's request for dues. Great turnout at the April 27, 2:00 P.M. performance of A Little Night Music, the Stephen Sondheim musical, at the Robsham Theater Arts Center. Attending were: Arthur Ashur and Anne, John Carney and Madelyn, Charlie Brennan and Marion, Bill Butler and Ann, Ernie Ciampa and Margaret, Bill Cohan and Fran, Garrett Cullen, Sahag Dakesian and Margaret, Fran Dolan and Cecelia, Bill Flaherty and Eileen, Gerry Hagerty and Theresa, John Hickey and Mary, Leo Joy, John McQuillan and Dot, Steve Michelowski and Wanda, Tom Murphy and Phyllis Martin, John Prince and Mary, Joe Quinn and Alice, Peter Rogerson and Paula, Don St. Andre and Amedia, Jim Whelton and Louise, Jean Schoenfeld, Mary Dowd, and Mary Murphy. • And now, regretfully, the Bad News: Frank Browne reports his wife, Jane, passed away last year after a long illness. • Jake Emmons, outstanding member of our class, lost his daughter Liane in KS several months ago. · Joe Burke, living in Phoenix, AZ, and one of my favorites, reports that his wife, Betty, passed away July 7, 2002, from a heart attack. Joe reports no women knocking down his doors yet, but he did have one or two ask him if he was lonely. His answer: "No, thanks." • The class sends it deepest sympathy to classmates who have recently lost a loved one. • Two great class members, Hank Barry and John Forkin, report leg problems that prevent them from attending class functions. Get well soon-we miss you both. What Goes Around Comes Around: When we were creating our fiftieth anniversary yearbook, under the outstanding leadership of Sahag, the publisher asked if it could borrow a Sub Turri of one of the class members to help produce the book. Being the trusting soul that I am, I loaned my book. After many requests to recover the book, to no avail, I gave up hope of ever seeing the book again. In late December, I received a note: "Dear Mr. Flaherty, My brother,

John L. Owen, was a member of BC '49. Since his death in 1960, I have had his *Sub Turri* yearbook. Now, I wonder if some members of the class would want it. It has no handwriting and is in excellent condition. I would be delighted to have someone who cares about the yearbook receive it. Kindly let me know. Best wishes for 2003. Sincerely, Margaret M. (Owen) Conway M.Ed. '53." I made arrangements to pick up the book at the Dedham Public Library, and the book is now in my possession. Talk about Lazarus! Good things come to those who wait. Thank you, Margaret M. (Owen) Conway. I will always be grateful.

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The class golf day took place at the Falmouth Country Club on Thursday, June 12, 2003. The results will be in the next issue of this magazine. Eddie Brady and Jack Farrell were the moderators again this year. • James F. Gabbeth, Jr., died on February 5, 2002, at Mission St. Joseph's Hospital in Henderson Circle, NC. He was a resident of Baton Rouge, LA, for 20 years before moving to Henderson County, NC, in 1999. He completed graduate work at Brooklyn Polytechnic Institute. Formerly in research positions with Escambia Chemical Corp. in Wilton, CT, and PPG Industries in Pittsburgh, PA, he joined Georgia Gulf Corp. in 1977 and retired as director of polymer research in 1993. He was a veteran of WWII in the European Theater while serving with the Ninth U.S. Air Force. He was a member of the Vinyl Chloride Association, SCORE and the American Chemical Society. He is survived by his loving wife of 52 years, Anne; two daughters, Suzanne L. Kerr of Ft. Lauderdale, FL, and Kathleen Doty of Denver, CO; and one sister, Helen Scollings, of Norwood. Interment took place at Mt. Pleasant Cemetery in St. Johnsbury, VT. Robert J. Savage passed away on April 4, 2003, at Brigham and Women's Hospital. Bob was former chief operating officer for an insurance company and former president of the Boston Chamber of Commerce. He was a Needham resident for the past 40 years. He worked as chief operating officer of Ambassador Insurance Co. of Montpelier, VT, and was a consultant to the Vermont State Insurance Commission. Bob was a WWII U.S. Navy veteran and a member of the Montpelier Elks. He is survived by his wife, Patricia, three daughters and two sons. • Ed Brady visited his son Peter in AZ this spring.

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• Francis R. Kelly of Marshfield died on March 21, 2003. He leaves his wife, Anna Marie; a daughter, Martha, of Bloomfield, CT; four sons, Kevin of Sugar Land, TX, Paul of Pembroke, Joel of Exton, PA, and Brien of Melrose. He has 12 grandchildren and one great-grandchild. I want to thank Eddie Brady for all of the material that he has sent to me. . I attended Dorothy Harwood's funeral Mass on April 11, 2003, at Walpole. At the church I saw Eddie Brady, Jackie Farrell, Mrs. Bert Shannon and Shirley Horrigan. • We are passing on, as Fr. J. F. X. Murphy used to say, "with the most disgusting regularity." Time marches on! On behalf of the class, I wish to express to the families of these recently deceased classmates our deepest and sincere sympathy.

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With sadness, I must report the death of Carol Casey Bermel '51, in January 2003. She leaves eight children and 19 grandchildren. Please pray for her family. I saw Helene Sweeney Doyle '50 at the Belmont Hill School graduation of her grandson, another William Doyle. Billy is headed for Boston College in September. Helene tells me that Mary Lou Julian Natoli '50 is joining Mary McManus Frechette '50 and her husband on a wonderful trip, taking the beautiful, scenic train trip from Vancouver eastward. Bon voyage! Please send me news.

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The notes for 1951 were inadvertently omitted in the spring issue. Here they are, followed by the summer notes. We regret the error. —Editor

Classmate James P. "Jim" Foley has been honored by Boston College with the John S. Griffin, Jr., Distinguished Volunteer Award. It was presented by University President William J. Leahy, SJ, at a tribute dinner on April 4 at the Fairmont Copley Plaza, Boston. It is given to the "outstanding class agents whose meritorious volunteer service on behalf of Boston College contributed to the advancement of the academic mission of higher education in the Jesuit tradition." Father Leahy wrote to Jim, "I am grateful for your remarkable record of service to Boston College ... and I thank you for all of your efforts, and congratulate you on your well-earned honor." Jim has been a volunteer in BC's fundraising and development endeavors. The award is named for John Griffin, Jr. '35, who was an outstanding leader among development volunteers and a builder of the telethon program. • Jim did his undergraduate work at the management school (B.S./B.A.). Like many of us young Eagles of that era, Jim commuted from Dorchester to the Heights as a hitchhiking "knight of the road." After receiving his master's degree in economics from BC in 1953, he was commissioned a lieutenant in the U.S. Navy Supply Corps, serving on active duty for almost four years. His professional career spanned 30 years with Boston Edison's financial operation. He retired as director of corporate finance in 1988. Along the way, he graduated from the Harvard Business School's executive education program in 1965. The BC family tradition continues. Jim's son, John, is a 1978 graduate of the management school, and his granddaughter Jennifer is a member of the 2005 management school class. His beloved wife of 47 years, Edwina (Regis '53), passed away in 2001. • While on the subject of volunteerism, I am looking for a few hundred good BC men of '51 who have a tale to tell or a story to spin. Just call me at 508-432-0035. (If it is more convenient, you can e-mail me at josepharyan@aol.com.) Give me the facts, and let me elaborate (or embellish) as appropriate. Remember, in the immortal words of Aristotle, "Modesty is a fear of falling in disrepute." • Among classmates attending the celebration of Laetare Sunday at the Heights were John Bacon and Mary, Walter Connolly and Brenda, George Desmond and Alice, Albert Goodrow, Ray Martin, Joe McGonagle, Maurice Rahilly, Vin Stanton and John Sullivan. • There was a new entry known as "Team Durant" in this year's Boston Marathon classic. The team was made up of 19 men and women—II from Massachusetts General Hospital-who ran on behalf of our late classmate Tom Durant. The dedicated runners-all of whom finished the raceraised more than \$49,000 for the Durant Refugee Fellowship Program, far exceeding the projected goal. This first-time endeavor "honors and celebrates the life and legacy of an extraordinary humanitarian by supporting an MGH doctor or nurse to work in refugee camps around the world," Dr. Ronan said. · Classmates Larry and Kay Sullivan sent a short note from a long distance—Tenino, WA. Larry, who was ordained a permanent deacon in Boston 25 years ago, now serves as a judge in the Archdiocese of Seattle Tribunal. I bet you didn't know that Larry and Kay were the first married couple to graduate from BC, Larry from Arts & Sciences and Kay from the School of Nursing. Also, they wrote how much they enjoyed the Class Notes. • Since the last two issues, peace came to Morton F. Alpert (Sarasota, FL), David M. Crehan (West Roxbury, MA), H. Kenneth Dooley (Braintree), William E. Jennings (Ft. Lauderdale, FL), Edward Kearns (San Dimas, CA), Thomas F. Mahoney (Leominster), Vincent L. Molinaro (Chestnut Hill) David J. O'Dea (Watertown), Thomas S. Philbin (West Yarmouth), Ralph J. Rosenzweig (Melrose) and Herbert A. Varnerin (Norton).

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From the news I have received, I would say that the class is going strong and enjoying life. Will Hynes spent time in Naples this winter. Archie Walsh and Marilyn, John O'Connor and Carolyn, and Will and Trudy spent an afternoon at the home of Joe Ippolito and Rita and enjoyed a cookout, reminiscing back to the '50s. Joe has become quite a chef over the years. Also heard from Dick Bangs who, along with Joan, went to Naples in March and participated in the St. Patrick's Day celebration. I understand our class was well represented in the parade in Naples, either on foot or in the trolleys provided. • Al Sexton had his annual class luncheon at the Vanderbilt Inn in Naples in March, and more than 50 people attended. Those enjoying the function were Bob Allen, Jim Callahan, Steve Casey, Tom Cummiskey, Roger Connor, Al Casassa, Jerry Dacey, Lois Doyle, Bob Doherty, Barry Driscoll, Bill Doherty, Jack Donovan, Vin

Green, John McArdle, Al Johnson, Jim Kenneally, Jack Leary, Dick McLaughlin, Dave Murphy, Frank McDermott, Jim Mulrooney, Bill Newell, Tim O'Connell, Joe O'Shaughnessy, Bernie O'Sullivan, Art Powell and Charlie Sherman. Al was quite pleased that for the third year in a row there were no arrests. I suppose after 50 years everything has already been said and done, and there isn't much left to do. Remember, these were some of the guys who ran to the Beacon when there was a free class and also the guys who enjoyed gourmet lunches at the OG in Brighton. These were some of the guys who danced every dance at the Totem Pole and at Nuttings and Moseleys. No wonder they are slowing down! Did anyone notice that Al Sexton was wearing a streaker's t-shirt in a picture in the yearbook? He smiled when I asked him about it. He then told me we would be seeing more of him now that he was barely elected captain of the Cape Cod streaking team in 2004. I think he was streaking in FL while many of us were shivering and shoveling snow at home this winter! • The Laetare Sunday communion brunch in March was well attended thanks to the efforts of Fred Meagher, and '52 had more than 35 people with them, one of the largest class groups present. • Recently heard from Jeanne Clancy, Bill Walsh (IL), Beatrice Ames, Joe Fagan, Gene McAuliffe, Jack Nylander, Ken McIntire, Rita Walsh McGowan, Larry Durkee, Tom Hannon, John Healy (VA), Paul Drummond, Vincent Beninati (PA), Stan Saperstein, Paul Reardon (NJ), Frank Canning and Jim Parsons. Also sending regards to the class were Dick Schwartz (Cloverdale, CA), Lois Doyle, John Kastberg (NY), Gene Clark (NY), Dick McCabe, Bernie Cullen (FL), Bill Curtin, Charlie Daly, Dick Tilly, Tom O'Maley (Carmichael, CA), Gerry Olsen (NH); Maurice Hastings, Joe Keohane (RI), Tom Nee, Bob Barry, Charlie Haney, Bob Quinn, Merritt Mahoney (Lansing, MI), Harry Trask, Dick Mayo (St. Petersburg, FL), Joe McCall and Peter Chrisom. Good to hear from all of you! . Sorry to report the recent death of Bill Cleary of Plymouth. Bill was the brother of Gerry Cleary, and both were double Eagles. • Heard from Pat Greeley, who is living in Daytona Beach Shores, FL, a long way from his original home in ME. Pat worked for the Department of Defense schools as a teacher, councilor and administrator for twenty years, then retired from Puerto Rico. · After reading the latest Boston College Magazine, I realized there were 51 classes after ours with notes. Remember 1952, when we were the youngest class? Some of us had been previously in the military service, and many were about to go into the service after graduation. It is hard to realize, after all these years since we graduated, that many of our children are too old to enter the service now, although some are serving in the armed forces. As we get older, life changes so fast, and things just aren't the way they used to be. I envy the guys who are still playing golf! If I bend over to tee up the ball, I need help to get back up. If I take the grandchildren for an ice cream cone, it is they who now stand in line for the order. If some idiot flies by me using a cell phone while driving and I blast the horn, he waves back, but not with all fingers! Yes, time really goes by fast and time certainly does change things in our lives. Fortunately, we still go on enjoying life. Please send me news and keep us posted on

your whereabouts, wherever you are.

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To capsulize our fiftieth reunion there's just one word — Wow! Between the Alumni Association and the Class Reunion Committee, co-chaired by Jim Willwerth and Bob Willis, what was put together for our fiftieth was unbelievable. Everything, from the advance notices to the registration, was done like clockwork. From the moment we went into Vanderslice Hall to register to our first event we were treated like royalty. They had large life-sized photos of classmates from fifty-odd years ago with prizes for guessing who was who. Eventually Bill McSweeney won a sweater for the correct answer. But let me start with the week's activity. On Wednesday, the class sponsored a golf outing. As of this writing, they're still tabulating the results, something about signed scorecards, I think. I'll try to get the final results for the next issue of this magazine. So, now we get into the meat of the reunion. It started Thursday evening with the golden eagle welcome dinner, held in the dining room of the old Philosophy Building, as we knew it, now called Lyons Hall, with cocktails from 5:00 to 6:30 and dinner from 6:30 to 8:00. What a crowd, what socializing, what fun. Seeing some classmates who hadn't been back to the campus for forty to fifty years was a thrill by itself. There was a lot of hugging all over the dining hall. You were just thrilled at the goings-on between grown men. Bob Willis's opening speech highlighted all the changes that have taken place at BC since 1953. He was followed by Fr. Monan who updated us on the Boston College of the Twenty-First Century. The reunion committee deserves "a tip of the hat" from all our classmates for the kick-off event, which set the tone for the festive week. • On Friday at lunch, the golden eagle investiture was held when all present classmates were given their golden eagles and initiated as such. Paul Coughlin was the class speaker. He concluded his remarks by offering his thoughts on the meaning of a Jesuit education, saying, "Excellence, Truth and Service; you can get an accounting degree anywhere." A moment of silence was held for our missing, sick and departed golden eagles. All of our thoughts were with them, wherever they may be. Friday night was our night at the Pops, with Keith Lockhart conducting. Shivers went down our spines when the Pops orchestra and everyone in Symphony Hall sang "For Boston." • On Saturday at the celebration of loyalty, Gerry McLaughlin and Spike Boyle, co-chairs of the class gift committee, proudly presented Father Leahy with a check for almost \$2.5 million. It was the second largest fiftieth anniversary gift in the history of Boston College. Later that day our Memorial Mass was held at St. Ignatius Church, and our missing and ill classmates were prayed for. Especially named were John Keaney, Jospeh Clougherty, Carl Solone and Paul Campbell, who passed away since my last notes, and for Frank Sullivan, who is seriously ill in Naples, FL, and Phil Hopkins, who is also seriously ill. Both called me about their disappointment at being unable to attend. Father Joseph Appleyard, SJ, was the homilist and connected the Gospel with the events of Reunion Weekend. Also concelebrating with Father Leahy were Fathers Lawrence Drennan, Thomas Fleming, Paul McPartland and James Riley and Monsignor Paul Ryan. The Saturday night dinner dance

was treated to remarks by John Burns, who outlined for us a history of his association with and love for Boston College. • The most popular room in Vanderslice Hall was 417, the hospitality suite. It was where we reminisced and even tried to settle some of the world's problems. Vanderslice Hall's namesake, Tom Vanderslice, was recognized with an honorary Doctor of Business Administration degree which was to be conferred on him at commencement. • We have in our midst a Broadway star, Jean Grace. Jean is the wife of Leo Grace and was on the Paris trip-what a voice! Jean sang to the tune of "The Last Time I Saw Paris" with her own special words and spellbound the crowd! Classmate John Hughes hasn't changed over the fifty years—still the same fun-loving guy I remember from when we used to go to Falmouth Heights in the summertime. John had all the young waitresses line up, and the band played the cancan while they did the kick step. He then had the six football players present — John Burns, center, John McCauley, halfback, Patsy Cacace, guard, Mike Doohan, tackle, Eddie Wall, guard, Art O'Brien, tackle, and the old head cheerleader myself, Bob Kelly, lead the classmates and all present with a couple of "For Bostons." I think the applesauce song got in there also. Unfortunately, there is not space enough in the notes to mention all the attendees by name. For a complete list of Reunion Weekend attendees, visit http://www.bc.edu/reunion. • I received a great note from Margaret Buck Crawford, president of the '53 Nursing class, who informed me, the class snoop, that over fifty percent of the Nursing School alumnae were present at the fiftieth. Peg writes me that she and Joyce Burke Welch were on the fiftieth planning committee and that all of their work finally paid off with the great turnout. Peg Crawford lives at 59 Audubon Road, Norwood, MA 02062, and her phone number is 781-769-3466, if any classmate wishes to contact her.

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Last winter, when the class of '54 attended a hockey game at Kelley Rink, it reminded us that our class had a group of outstanding players on the team. Among those were Bill Maguire, Jack Canniff and Jim Cisternelli. These three attended the regionals together in Worcester and also attended the fiftieth anniversary of the first Beanpot. We also should not forget Bob Kiley, Bob Siblo and Bob Babine, who is now deceased. • We have learned from John Clogan that Ed Doherty passed away last March. John attended the funeral along with Dick Curley. The Cape Cod Times notes in Ed's obituary that he was "an innovator in the marine industry and a pioneer in developing computer management systems for marinas and dockominium conversions of marinas internationally. He was considered one of the country's leading expert witnesses in marine valuations. He was the only marine professional in the U.S. who was a counselor of real estate, a certified real estate appraiser and an international marine certified marina manager." Ed was also a member of the executive committee of the President's Circle for BC. He was also a double Eagle and the president of his sophomore class. • James L.

Kelley, Jr., who had lived in Hong Kong for 40 years, passed away last spring. He was the nephew of the legendary "Snooks" Kelley. • We will be reporting in the next issue about the mini-reunion held on campus. The featured speaker, Cathy Inglese, the head coach of BC women's basketball, brought her team to the NCAA Sweet 16 for the first time this year. · We have learned from his wife, Marianne, that Lloyd D. Taylor passed away last March. He received his Ph.D. in organic chemistry from MIT and was a fellow and corporate officer at Polaroid for over 35 years. As a polymer scientist, Lloyd was instrumental in the development of instant color photography and was named a Hall of Fame Scientist at Polaroid. An author of 103 patents and 45 publications, he received the BC Alumni Award for Science in 1982. Lloyd was always proud of the fact that he graduated from BC and loved the school.

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Visualize, if you will, the poster we have seen since childhood. You know the one-Uncle Sam pointing his finger and saying, "I want you." Well, Jean O'Neil, John Johnson, John Vozzella, Dan Foley, John O'Connell and yours truly not only want you but we need you, to join us in two special projects-planning the fiftieth anniversary-year activities and publishing our yearbook. Although it is still two years before we become golden eagles, we are starting now so that we can have a spectacular year and superb yearbook. Jean has some wonderful ideas, and Gina, from Jostens (the yearbook company), has met with us and is ready to assist us with her expertise. During the summer, you received a letter from John Johnson. Please think about it and about your talents, and then come and join us at the meeting planned for this fall. If you are out of state and want to help, we will make arrangements for you to do so via fax and e-mail. We need these projects to be all-inclusive, with representation from all the schools and majors. Thanks! Hope to "BCing" you at the meeting.

• I have a recommendation for any of you who anticipate going to the theater in NYC in the near future. As I write this column, Vin Matteucci's granddaughter, Sarah C. Matteucci, is in rehearsal for a new off-Broadway musical, A Stoop on Orchard Street. It is due to open July 10 at the Mazur Theater. Sarah graduated on May 22 from Barnard College at Columbia University with a B.A. in music, summa cum laude. She was also elected to Phi Beta Kappa. Sarah is planning on pursuing a singing and acting career, and I know you join me in saying that we look forward to seeing her name in lights. • Charlie Costello had a great trip this spring. His travels included Australia, New Zealand and Fiji. The words of the Disney World song "It's A Small World" came true, because while he was in Christchurch, New Zealand, lo and behold, Charlie met George Drury, SJ. While Father Drury has been at BC since 1954, he is at Christchurch for six months to do

research. They had a grand chat. • Fred Brannan has continued his long association with Habitat for Humanity. For many years, he went to Americus, GA, but this year he went to Naples and worked with the Habitat group in Collier County. • Walt Bankowski and his wife, Jan, also continue their volunteering ways. Walt volunteers at the battleship Wisconsin in Norfolk, where, despite all the people he meets, he still hasn't had anyone from '55 come by, so if you are in VA, make that one of your stops. Jan tried, unsuccessfully, to retire from being youth minister at their church. She has now added to her responsibilities by becoming a diocesan representative to the Gay/Lesbian Minorities Commission and works part time in a religious bookstore. Being grandparents to six also keeps them busy. • Feelings of sadness and loss have visited our classmates and their families again. Larry Brown's wife, Jean, died in March. They had been married for 48 years and had eight children. Larry is a pediatrician in Norwood. · Our classmate Henry Son died in May. An excellent athlete and member of the BC Hall of Fame, Henry worked as a computer consultant. He was very proud of his service in the U.S. Marine Corps during the Korean War and was an active member of the Marine Corps League of the Cape and the Islands, Detachment 955. He is survived by three daughters and two sons. I feel certain that, as you read this column, you will say a prayer for Henry and Jean and also for their families. • I'll close with a memory of an event in the hope that it will motivate you to send me a memory or two. Fifty years ago, on April 26, 1953, those of us in the undergraduate nursing program received our caps at a ceremony held in St. Ignatius Church. I recently learned that our cap was modeled after the crown worn by St. Elizabeth of Hungary, patroness of nurses. If you have memories to share, please send them either by snail mail to the address above or to my BC e-mail: mjk55@bc.edu. Thanks. I also would like to ask those of you who are local to be alert to the date and time of the Veteran's Day liturgy to be held at BC. It is sponsored by the Alumni Association. I went last year and was one of the very few alumni present. It was a wonderful tribute to those who have served our country so proudly. Please join me this year.

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Marie and I saw Margie Murphy and Mary Shea, Alice Shea's sister, at the spring Alumni Day of Reflection. At the Laetare Sunday Mass and brunch, we met Joyce and Dan McDevitt, Dan and Carolyn Kenney Foley, with Carolyn's sister Mary Lou and their friend Eunice Powers, Maire and Jim McLaughlin, and Carol Hines Gleason, whose son is in Kuwait. • We also saw Kathleen Donovan Goudie, Mary and Jerry Sullivan, Margie Murphy, Bea and Peter Colleary, Alice Shea and her sister Mary, Leo and Claire Hoban McCormack, and Carol Hines Gleason. • The Spring Fling on Cape Cod was great. Bea and Peter Colleary had arranged meals at three restaurants. We had dinner at Clancy's Tuesday

night, lunch at Tugboats, and dinner at the Paddocks on Wednesday night. Tuesday night, we sat with Kathi and Leo Power and Jean and John Donnelly, who talked tennis and golf with Leo and Kathi. Leo's brother's boss was there with a group from work. Twelve classmates played golf Wednesday morning; Paul and Anne Carroll Bean took the prizes for being nearest the pin, and the foursome of Mert Thompson, John Donnelly, Leo Power, and Dick Toland scored best ball. Denise McCabe Thompson missed the golf but came for dinner. Dan and Carolyn, Bea and Peter, Mary and Jerry Sullivan, Claire Hoban McCormack, Betty Ann Casey, Ernestine Bolduc and Margie Murphy joined us on a harbor cruise. At lunch we sat with Mary Lou and Bob Caffrey, whose son is with an army civil affairs unit in Baghdad (no showers for weeks). At dinner we sat with Mary and Jerry Sullivan, Ernestine Bolduc, Betty Ann Casey, and Margie Murphy. Carolyn had gifts for committee members (a handsome BC pullover for me). Others attending included Ed Bullock, James and Diane Hemmer Cotter, Jan and Dick Day, George and Joan Carroll Donovan, Marilyn and Paul Keohane, Dan and Mary O'Regan Looney, Doris and John Mahaney, Janet Ohrenberger McCarthy, Peter Paglari, Frank and Nancy O'Hara Regan, Connie Regolino, Joe and Pauline McDonough Ryan, Mary and Tom Stouter, Don and Maryanne Tierney Woodward, and Alice Shea and two friends. • Marge Callahan is in a full-leg cast following a March skiing accident. • E-mails: Tom Sheehan is still writing—his third novel and fourth book of poetry are out. Jim Melloni is still at Hanscom AFB and recently returned from a test assignment in Korea (just before the SARS outbreak). Jim sees John McManus and Anthony Solomita regularly. He also said that Jim Hart still works in the Lexington school system and is active in the Minuteman Historical Society. • Lorraine Walsh told us that Mary Fraser Pizzelli's husband, David, a longtime member of the police force and court system, passed away recently in Hingham. Dick Sawyer's wife, Ann Marie, wrote that Dick died in March after a three-year battle with cancer. Please keep them and all classmates and families in your prayers. • Once again, thanks for all your efforts.

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The class golf outing on June 9 at the Sand Burr Country Club in Wayland was a memorable event. The roster of players included Ed Coakley, Larry Chisholm, Joe Burke, Joe McMenimen, Bill McQueeney, Ed Brickley, Dave McAvoy, Tom Ahearn, MM, Frank Higgins, Bill Cunningham, Jim Devlin, George Hennessy, Steve Brady, Ed Murphy and Dick Dowling. • The team of Hennessy, Higgins and Chisholm won the low net at 61. They were unanimously accused of sandbagging their handicaps. The MVP player prizes on each team went to Larry Chisholm, Father Ahearn, Bill Cunningham and Joe Burke. Bill Cunningham's performance in acquiring quality gifts for each player and MVP awards, as usual, was above and beyond. Jim Devlin, the chair of this event, would like to build momentum around this event each year culminating into a major outing/dinner for our fiftieth jubilee. • Paul O'Leary's son, Paul J. O'Leary, Jr. (lt. col.) commanded a 1,200-strong first marine division battalion in Kuwait. His battalion was among the first ones across the Iraqi border before war broke out. Paul and Kathy spent many anxious moments during his tour of duty over in Iraq. At this writing, Paul, Jr., is on his way back to the States via Australia to attend the Naval War College in Newport. · Dick Dowling and his wife, Peggy, are recently back from an enjoyable trip to London. Dick said he "lucked out" with some fine weather. • Bill McQueeney is the founder of Rural Water Ventures, Inc., a not-for-profit corporation that funds clean-water projects in rural Nicaragua. Their mission statement is to fund well-conceived and well-designed projects in order to provide rural villages in Nicaragua with access to adequate quantities of safe drinking water. Bill, you are indeed a holy person who has made your caring mission one to behold. Jim Devlin and his wife, Mary, are proud grandparents of four grandchildren. Their daughter Maryellen had a baby girl, Lauren, in early May. • The following classmates attended their golden jubilee from BC High on May 23, 2003: Jim Devlin, Frank Dirksmeier, Paul J. Donahue, Bill Donlan, Jim Doyle, Marty Dunn, Paul Duseau, Ed Fenton, George Hennessy, Robert C. Hilton, John T. Hurley, Jim F. X. Kelley, Chuck Lynch, Frank Lynch, Gilbert E. Mackinnon, Ted Maggalet, Rev. John E. McLaughlin, Joe McMenimen, Paul A. Messer, SJ, Leo Morrissey, Ed Murphy, Rev. Gene P. Sullivan, Jerome H. Supple, Bob Tiernan, John T. Conway, Norm Clairmont '58, Joseph E. Corcoran '59, Thomas J. Cunnall '60, Paul J. Kingston '58. The late Rev. Joseph R. Fahey's sister, Peggy Fahey Annett, also attended. The following day, Joe Corcoran '59 treated all of us to a day and half of great fun, food and entertainment at the Ocean Edge Resort in Brewster on the Cape. Ed Brickley, Ed Coakley, Bill Cunningham, Dave McAvoy and Vin Looney celebrated their Boston Latin School jubilee on May 10. • Gene Mahoney was chair of the BC Club of Cape Cod Golf Outing at King's Way Golf Club in Yarmouth Port on May 6. Joe Burke, Bill Cunningham, Dave McAvoy, Don Fox, George Hennessy and Vic Popeo all participated. • Again, our class annual fall football event is scheduled for September 27, 2003. A general class mailing will be sent in late summer outlining the agenda of this always popular event. • Just a reminder that if you have not made a donation to the Joseph R. Fahey, SJ, Scholarship Fund, please do so if you can. Father Joe was a brilliant and very talented scholar. Let us remember his legacy. Donations should be directed to this worthwhile cause c/o BC Alumni Association, 825 Centre St., Newton, MA 02458-2527. • Condolences of the class are extended to the families of Gerald L. Cunningham and Vilma M. Coia. • Class dues for the 2003-04 academic year are now due in the amount of \$25. Please remit to Bill Tobin at 181 Central Street, Holliston, MA 01746. Best to you all.

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Hello to all! It's been a while since I've submitted 1957 class notes, and I apologize. We have a wonderful class, and I would appreciate hearing your latest news, so please drop me a

line. Joan Hanlon Curley, as of 2002, is a self-published author of five children's books. They've all been translated into Braille and are in a library in Madison, WI, where they are available internationally to blind children. Also, a set of these books has been donated to governor Jeb Bush's Family Literacy Initiative. Joan has been a guest speaker at two elementary schools that have purchased her books for their libraries. They are in many bookstores, including one in Bermuda. If you are interested in learning more about the books, you may contact Joan at 941-263-3109. Joan also writes that her husband, Neil, was selected Teacher of Distinction for the year 2003 in Collier County, FL, and that Joan's grand-niece is continuing the Sacred Heart tradition in prekindergarten at Grand Coteau in LA. • Those of us in the Boston area do our best to keep in touch. When other commitments allow us the time, Bob and I play golf with Connie Weldon LeMaitre and her husband, George. Cathy Connolly Beatty and I belong to the same book club, so we see each other often. Cathy still has a beautiful singing voice and performs regularly for private groups in the Boston area. Diane Russell McDonough and I have had an occasional lunch during the past few years. She is kept busy with her family and volunteer work. Carol McCurdy Regenauer (who is keeping her last name) is happily remarried to Dick Tranfaglia. Carol and Dick have bought a home in Brewster on Cape Cod and divide their time between there and their condo in Lexington.

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We have a new novelist in our class, and he didn't even major in English or creative writing. Attorney Jim McCarthy, still actively practicing law in Boston, published his first novel, Fatal Flaws. It is the tale of a young, frustrated attorney going up against the "establishment," a pedigreed big firm attorney who went to the same Ivy League school as the trial judge, and the almighty HMO's to find justice for a thirteen-year-old girl dying of kidney disease. Fatal Flaws gives a riveting portrayal of ambitious physicians and a biased, out-ofcontrol trial judge arrayed against an innocent thirteen-year-old slowly dying of kidney disease, seeking her day in court against overwhelming odds. According to Jim, this courtroom thriller should be on the bookshelves in the Fall of 2003. • Continuing the dialogue on class novelists, Jim Murphy, professor of English at Massachusetts Maritime Academy and teacher of creative writing at BC, initiated the first student theatre company at MMA. MMA will fund this year a James F. Murphy Scholarship for an incoming cadet who will live a cadet's lifestyle but pursue theatre studies as well. In addition to teaching and his theatrical duties, tireless Jim continues to work on novels and write screenplays with his son Ted, another BC grad. Many thanks to Dottie Sollitto Hiltz for sending me the article about Jim in a local Cape Cod newspaper. • I recently had an informative conversation with Gerry Mitchell who brought me up-to-date on his activities. Gerry and his wife Pat ('57) spend their time between Westwood and Hyannis and, when not traveling, are entertaining their grandchildren. Gerry recently sold his business. Northeastern Envelope Co., to a major corporation. • Our forty-fifth reunion was a resounding success. It started out Friday night with BC Night at the Pops with Keith Lockhart conducing and then back to the campus for pops after Pops. On Saturday we attended the president's luncheon, toured the campus and capped it off with the '58 dinner dance where everyone seemed to be exchanging conversation rather than dancing. In between the formal activities, we conducted our own activities in the '58 hospitality suite. The School of Nursing was very well represented at our forty-fifth. There were fifteen in attendance for at least part of the weekend: Claudette Bachand, Carol (Brady) Vigliamo, Betty (Sweeney) Minassion, Janet (Corcoran) O'Neill, Kathleen (MacDonald) Barbara (Cuneo) O'Connell, Moira (Feeley) Lyons, Cecelia (Caniff) Doherty, Eileen (Teahan) Quigley, Mary (McMahon) O'Toole, Betty (Leary) Horrigan, Kathy (Whalen) Kenny, Joan (Ward) Hurley, Pat (McGuire) Taupier and Pat (Brine) O'Riordan. They all had a wonderful time catching up on forty-five years of work and families and the people who stayed in the dorms were up until all hours reminiscing. • It looks like the nurses beat out the teachers in the number of attendees at our forty-fifth. • Congratulations to Tom Feloney, son of Mary Leigh and John Feloney, who with his partner won the prestigious Wollaston Cup at the Wollaston Golf Club. . Congratulations also to Jane and Jack McDevitt on the birth of their first grandchild, Katherine Ann, daughter of Mark—a Holy Cross grad. Their other son Chris is getting married this summer. Received an interesting note from Ann and Bill McGurk. They are living the good life—in the summer on their farm in Prince Edward Island entertaining their two quarter horses and in the winter aboard their sailboat in the Bahamas. This summer, along with their three sons and wives and six grandchildren, they will celebrate the two-hundredth anniversary of the founding of their family farm on Prince Edward Island. · Frank Lydon reports that he and Mary sold their home in Spokane, WA and moved to tropical paradise Maalais Bay, Maui, HI. If any classmates are in the area, they are in the phonebooks and would love to give a grand tour and show off the beauty of their island retreat. Frank retired as the Manager of Industrial Relations of Columbia Lighting in Spokane. Don't forget you class dues—send \$25 to Jack "Mucca" McDevitt, 25 Cedar Rd., Medford, MA 02155. Please keep the cards and letters coming.

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REUNION YEAR

Thanks for your many e-mails and notes. I received a note and a Cape Cod Times article about the death of Leon Bennett on Martha's Vineyard. Leon attended BC on a football scholarship, was an All-American lineman drafted by the Redskins (he declined) and a 30-year resident of the Vineyard. He and his

brother Steve Bennett, another fine lineman, had a big impact on the success of the team. Leon leaves his wife, three sons and a daughter. · Barbara Zielinski wrote to tell us of the death of Henry Zielinski in Marblehead. Henry leaves two sons and Barbara, who sent a generous contribution to the class in his memory. · Another note from Naples, FL, was sent by Charlie McCullagh, who lives there at a country club, polishing his game. Charlie was recently in Ireland and Kosovo to visit his son Neil, who is there working for an Irish relief agency, helping to rebuild the country. • Charlie Battaglia seems to be in and out of retirement. He was pressed into service on the Bush transition team, successfully shepherding ten presidential appointees through the Senate confirmation process. Then he went back to the government after September II to head a commission involved in assessing the survivability of a government agency in the event of a major terrorist attack. • Davis Crowley, now an aging barrister, writes of his children, Brooke, Kiernan and Kendall, in medicine, law and teaching. · Alice Kaiko Burbank sent a full-length novel about her retirement in Old Lyme, CT, her children, and her husband of 42 years. She has managed to find Carl Hendrickson teaching at the International School in Central America. Alice wants to know where Rogette Abizaid is. The reunion is only a few months away. • Jack Wiseman, who I think is a closet Democrat, writes that he and Peggy have run into George Bush on the links in Kennebunkport. This needs to be verified, as I am not sure that Jack could get that close to a Republican. Jack and Peggy have taken up golf and will soon be competing on the senior tour. • Joe Murphy retired after 42 years in Boston Public Schools. Joe has lived almost 30 years in Scituate, where he raised four children, who have graduated from Marquette, Maine, Dartmouth and St. Anselm's. One of their girls is a three-time All New England soccer player. • John Rearden, in Old Lyme and Marco Island, and his wife, Carol, are retired to golfing, boating and travel; their daughter, Maura '86, is married, and sons Jim and John are having grandchildren and practicing law. • Get ready for the football season. We have a great home schedule this year. Keep sending your notes. See you in June 2004.

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REUNION YEAR

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Robert J. Muldoon has been selected as the recipient of the 2003 Alumni Achievement Award for Law. The entire class of 1960 is invited to join in honoring his achievements at the award ceremony and reception to be held at 7 P.M. on Thursday, September 25, 2003, at Robsham Theater, Main Campus. For more information please visit www.bc.edu/alumniawards or call 800-669-8430 to reserve space at the event. -Editor

With our class in the retirement mode, we hear from people who have time on their hands, which is welcome. • Rick McMenimen writes from Stroudsberg, PA, where he has been

retired from the securities industry since 2001. The family gets together in Green Harbor each summer. Rick enjoys golf and being involved in the community association as an officer, and he welcomes you to the Poconos. The McMenimens have five children, and four of them live in NH. • Ed Quinn, who was captain of the track team, spent 29 years as a teacher, coach and administrator at Chelmsford High School. He was the principal at Lowell Catholic High until 2000 and is now the principal at Bishop Guertin in Nashua. He still lives in Chelmsford, where his six children were raised, and has seven grandchildren. • Jim Miller converses from Bisbee, AZ, which is so far south in border country that he can see Mexico from his front yard. Jim's wife, Lillian, passed away in September of 2001 (our condolences). He's a retired federal civil service employee with the title marine biologist. Jim has three daughters who graduated from Catholic schools in the Northeast. Good to hear from the three of you. • Joe Walker is now completely retired and spends all his free time in charitable, social justice and service work. Joe is involved in so many things for the Church and humanity they are too numerous to mention. He really seems to enjoy retirement and helping others. Get this—this is our forty-third year after graduating from little (at that time) BC. How time has passed. BC today is a city to itself. Amazing and beautiful. • The annual Bill Hyland Memorial Golf Tournament will be held on Monday September 8, 2003 at the Atlantic Country Club in Plymouth, MA. If you have interest in participating, call Gary McGovern at A.G. Edwards in Hingham at 800-543-8010.

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Sally O'Connell Healy wrote that she and her husband, Kevin, are residing in Newport/Middleton, RI, during the summer and are wintering in Punta Gorda, on Charlotte Harbor in FL. Punta Gorda is a golfing and boating community. They are enjoying their Boston Whaler for boating around the harbor or just out into the Gulf of Mexico. Sally has joined a book club there and plays bridge at the Y. She also continues to do her volunteer work in RI. which involves ministry of consolation, Eucharistic minister and Reach to Recovery. Both are retired, Kevin from his second career as a college professor and Sally from real estate. · Dot Radics McKeon and her husband, Bill, visited the Healys in November in FL, and they enjoyed catching up with each other. Sally sees Berenice Hackett Davis regularly in FL and in RI. They both attended the AASH luncheon in Naples, FL, together and met the RSCIs at their house in LaBelle, FL. They took a trip there to see the work the women do with migrant workers who work on sugar plantations and also with Habitat. Sally missed seeing Cathy Donahoe Smith, who lives in Destin, FL, when she visited Berenice in Naples this winter. In October, Sally and Kevin took a trip to Paris with old navy friends and traveled on a riverboat cruise through Provence, ending up on the Riviera. Thanks, Sally, for your newsy e-mail! · Carole Ward McNamara is a proud and grateful grandmother of eight grandsons! Her daughter, Cristin McNamara Geraci '02 delivered John Thomas Geraci prematurely at 1.5 pounds in November 2002. After several months in the hospital and many prayers and

medical procedures, he came home March 21, weighing six pounds. As of this writing in June, Tommy is now 11 pounds and is doing very well. Miracles do happen! • In May, a group of us who went to high school and also Newton College together went to the Berkshires for a weekend. Betsy DeLone Balas, Carole Ward McNamara, Elaine Holland Early, Kathleen McDermott Kelsh and I enjoyed staying at the Red Lion Inn in Stockbridge. We all loved the Norman Rockwell Museum, the Edith Wharton House in Lenox, and just spending time together and appreciating the beauty of the area. We celebrated Kathleen's recent retirement from her legal work, as well as her birthday. The Kelshes are busy planning their daughter Maggie's July wedding. • I'd like to add a congratulations to MaryAnn Brennan Keyes '62 for her untiring commitment to the Voice of the Faithful. Mary Ann has been chosen as on of the 100 most influential women in Boston for her efforts in the Voice of the Faithful endeavor to "keep the faith, change the church." My e-mail address is changing again, to dorseypm@comcast.net. Please e-mail me news about you and what's happening in your life today. Happy fall, everyone!

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John E. Joyce has been selected as the recipient of the 2003 William V. McKenney Award, the highest honor the Alumni Association bestows on its alumni. The entire class of 1961 is invited to join in honoring his achievements at the award ceremony and reception to be held at 7 P.M. on Thursday, September 25, 2003, at Robsham Theater, Main Campus. For more information please visit www.bc.edu/alumniawards or call 800-669-8430 to reserve space at the event. -Editor

Dave Sullivan, professor of biology at Syracuse, has received the title of professor emeritus. Dave got an M.S. from BC in 1963 and a Ph.D. from Johns Hopkins in 1967. He began teaching at Syracuse in 1970, after three years at Caltech in Pasadena. He's done extensive and outstanding research work in the area of molecular genesis and is a member of several professional fraternities and societies. • Kathy and Bob Pereault have moved from their longtime RI home to Seekonk. • Phil Callan, his firm's senior trial partner, has been appointed Massachusetts state chair for the American College of Trial Lawyers. Phil graduated from BC Law in 1964. His appointment is considered a significant achievement since membership in the College is by invitation only and requires a minimum of 15 years of trial experience. Phil and Doris make their home in Longmeadow. • The class's annual reunion Mass and dinner were another example of the devotion and capability of Peg Collins. We are indeed fortunate to have her as one of our own. The Mass was celebrated by Mike Duffy, OFM, and concelebrated by William McInnes, SJ. Father Mike traveled from Philadelphia for the occasion and returned that night after dinner. It seems to me that that says a lot about him and our class. • Father Mike was featured in the March issue of the Anthonian because of his work at the St. Francis Inn in Philadelphia. He was singled out for his contribution to the poor by the Philadelphia Interfaith Council on the Holocaust and received a \$20,000 gift from Larry Mohr. If you want to read the article, you can access it on the

Web at www.anthonian.org. • Many of us were proud to read in the April 14, 2003, edition of US News & World Report an article on graduate schools in which BC continues to do well. This year's standings for schools surveyed by USN & WR where BC offers graduate degrees: business, #41; education, #23: law, #22. There were some fields where no survey was provided. · I'm in receipt of a note from Charlie White, who says he was at a speaking engagement at BC. Charlie says he hears from Hector Richard, who has had a terrific legal career in Puerto Rico. Charlie mentions stops in New Haven, Vietnam and Hanover, NH, before landing in Washington, DC, where he practiced law between government appointments and advisory relationships with foreign governments. He is currently professor of logistics at the U.S. Merchant Marine Academy at Kings Point, NY. Charlie pines to hear from class members, especially some of Ray Aheren's boys. He can be reached at chwhite2@hotmail.com. • A copy of Jim Reagan's obituary was sent to me. Jim became a Trappist monk in Spencer and in CO, then worked as resident manager for the Hospice House in Barnstable. Please join his family in prayer for Jim and all our departed classmates and family members. We pray for them and ourselves in hopes of forgiveness, peace and eternal rest. • Lastly, I present to those who couldn't make the annual dinner a note from Red Lane. Since I couldn't begin to improve upon it, I'm quoting. "True story! Dahoneys, Brennans and Hannons went to Easter Mass in Apache Junction, a local town with a preponderance of senior citizens. St. George's being extremely crowded, our stalwarts had to sit in the handicapped section. Paul noticed and questioned the great many oxygen bottles among the older set. Dahoney, without missing a beat, explained it was because there are scuba classes right after Mass!" • Please help me continue the fun and gratification of writing this column by keeping me in touch with your comings and goings. Godspeed to all.

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Sadly, Nancy Simpson Porter succumbed to cancer March 19, after a valiant battle with melanoma. I received a note from Carol McGee Gardenier informing me of Nancy's death. It really caught me off guard as I had had a note from Nancy regarding her brain surgery set for March 10. Donations in memory of Nancy Simpson Porter may be made to Kenwood Convent of the Sacred Heart, 799 S. Pearl Street, Albany, NY 12202. • Patsy Keating gives us a reality check in her e-mail: "Can you believe we are old enough to be collecting Social Security checks?" But not Medicare yet, Patsy. Patsy went on to say (in early March) that the glacial fields were encroaching on her front yard. She does have a way with words! • Lucky Micky McQueeny Matthews visited Florence and Tuscany last November with her friend Linda. Then on to Rome, where Susie O'Leary Portieri gave Micky " ... the best tour of Rome ever," including the Sistine Chapel. Micky says Susie looks great, is an avid runner and is involved with a church run by the Jesuits. Susie wanted to be remembered to all her Newton friends. • Mary Walsh writes that she always considered herself liberal, but in Cambridge "I feel like I'm to the right." Should we be

concerned? · Had a nice note from Maryann Morrissey Curtin, who spent New Year's with Judy Thompson Collins and Dave in Woodstock, catching up. Maryann has four grandchildren and one on the way. Maryann spends much time with her dad, who's 91, as he is ailing. She is also involved in many civic activities in the Salem area. She closed with "Prayers for the world." Isn't that the truth? . On our return from Maine in January we visited Ellen MacDonald Carbone and Duane and sat by the fireplace having tea and Ellen's delicious shortbread cookies. Then in March, Ellen and Duane visited us at the Cape for some corned beef as it was near St. Pat's Day. Had a fun visit. Ellen and Duane were in the Dominican Republic in February for a dental convention (oh, sure!) and enjoyed it (the sun, fun and tennis). • Bob and I drove to Las Vegas in April to visit our daughter Michelle and her husband. On the return we stopped at the Grand Canyon (awesome), Santa Fe and Pecos Pueblo. Northern NM and AZ are beautiful. May found us in Nashville visiting daughter Mary and family; baby-sitting Harrison (20 months) while his mom and dad vacationed in the Dominican Republic (popular place this year). Carol Gardenier told me her daughter is in Eastern Europe (sorry I forgot the specific country) teaching English. She asked that we keep her daughter in our prayers (for her safety). The last I heard, the late Joyce Murray Hoffman's son Louis was in Afghanistan. Louis is involved in refuge resettlement and has spent time in Vietnam, Thailand, East Timor, etc. Needless to say, dad Louis gets anxious at times.

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Congratulations to **Diego** Cisneros upon completion of his mystery novel, *Antichrist* 2000. Diego has retired after 40 years in the bottling business in Venezuela. This is his second book. The first was a children's book written in Spanish. Diego's e-mail address is dacr@telcel.net.ve. • The spring issue of Boston College Magazine featured Laurel Eisenhaurer, and the significant contribution she has made to the Office of Planned Giving. Laurel joined the Boston College nursing faculty in 1970, received her PhD in 1977 and now serves as associate dean of Graduate Programs at CSON. • Jim Keenan, SJ, has been appointed to Boston College's Gasson Chair for the next two years. The Jesuit Community at BC founded the Gasson Chair. Father Jim will be teaching one course and presenting a major lecture each semester. This fall he will be teaching a graduate course on "20th-Century Catholic Moral Theology." • We heard from John Koza, who now spends his time in San Francisco and Rhode Island so he can be near his children and grandchildren in New England. John owns a management-consulting firm that focuses on the real-estate industry and is headquartered in San Francisco. His Web site is www.kozaco.com. · Jack McKinnon asked that we remind everyone that the monthly luncheon held at the Boston College Club on the first Friday of every month welcomes all of our classmates. Please call Jack's office at 617-428-8355 if you are interested in attending.

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Lots of class news since the last report ... At the Laetare Sunday Mass at Saint Ignatius, followed by brunch at McElroy Commons, we dined and chatted with John Golden and his wife, Kay, Tom McCabe and his wife, Marge, and Ed O'Donoghue and his daughter Kerri O'Donaghue '95, who teaches special education in Lynnfield. Ed is retired from AT&T and living in Acton. • Ed Rae reports on a number of Westwood-BC '63 connections: Paul Hardiman served on the finance commission and is active in youth hockey. His son, Paul, played on the state-champ hockey team for Westwood the same year as Ed's daughter, Nancy, did for Westwood hoops. Ed was chairman of the finance commission, on the town's one-hundredth anniversary committee, president of the baseball program and involved in other youth activities (soccer, softball, basketball, swimming). His son, Ed Rae, Jr., has been chairman of the Republican town committee. Joe Quinn followed Ed as president of youth baseball two years later. Joe was elected to three terms on the school committee. Joe was also on the one-hundredth anniversary board with Ed. Joe had the longest running barbecue in town, a July 4th event, until he moved to a condo in Walpole. Bob Uek was twice elected to the board of selectmen and is a popular town father. Bob's daughter and Ed's son graduated in the same year at Villanova. • Russ Dever has just moved to a new job — superintendent of schools at Mainland Regional High School in Linwood, NJ. His wife, Ellen, and he have a condo in Somers Point, NJ. Their daughter, Beth, is finishing graduate school (public policy at the University of Chicago) and their son, Brian, directs a youth center in Northfield, MN. Russ would love to hear from classmates. His e-mail address is deverrj@aol.com. • During a phone-a-thon to generate interest in our fortieth reunion class gift and gathering, I spoke to a number of our classmates: Frank Blessington lives in Woburn and continues his longtime career as a professor of English at Northeastern University. Ed Meffan lives in Bedford and owns and operates a firm specializing in cable TV, currently doing contract work for Comcast. Ron McPhee is now a retired US Army officer, having served with distinction in Vietnam and then attended art school. He is currently the art director at H. P. Hood, living in Scituate. Dave Ahern obtained his M.B.A. at Babson and is currently a professional deep-sea diver, owning and operating a firm specializing in sea urchin harvesting in Mendocino, CA. Luke LaValle founded American Capital Management, Inc., a money-management firm located in Manhattan, 23 years ago. He

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retired a lieutenant colonel from the army, having last served on the army staff in the Pentagon. His three sons are graduates of Notre Dame, West Point and Stamford. Charlie Cunis ran a CPA firm in Middleton, CT, which he sold to his partner, and he has now retired to Denver, CO. I am very sad to report the recent deaths of two classmates, Lacey O. P. Corbett in February, and John P. Ferrillo in March. Our class sympathies are extended to their loved ones. • Joe Fitzsimmons reports that he has completed golf instructor's school and is now practicing as a teaching golf pro (in addition to law). Ring him up for old times' sake, as well as for a few pointers on your golf game. • Jack Cunningham has retired after 35 years as a history teacher in the Boston Public Schools, most recently at Boston Latin. He keeps busy in tax season doing returns at Tom Feenan's Quincy office, and in the warmer weather enjoys tending his tomato plants at home in Squantum. • Our fortieth class reunion on May 31 was a huge success. It was not only, at 190 attending, the largest fortieth reunion in BC history, but our class pledged over \$3.5 million, the largest fortieth reunion class gift ever at BC. The evening started with a memorial Mass in Bapst Library concelebrated by University President William P. Leahy, SJ, and other priests, including our classmate Father Vin Albano. Cocktails and a buffet dinner followed in Gassson Hall, featuring the refurbished treasurer's office, where we used to pay our tuition bills - a wonderful metamorphosis. The conversation was so animated that committee chair Tom McCabe had trouble gaveling the gathering to order for his remarks. Classmates were so pleased with his performance that on a motion made by committee vice chairman Paul Hardiman and seconded by many, Tom was unanimously voted our new class president. Congratulations, Tom! • Other reunion committee members included: John Golden, treasurer, Dianne Duffin, secretary, Gerry DeBiasi, Annette Dietel, Gene Durgin, Mike Hanna, Peter Jengo, Dave Knipper, Frank McDermott, Matt McDonnell, Jim McGahay, Doug McQuarrie, Tom Quirk and Ed Rae. The '63 gift committee, ably chaired by Gerry Healy and Sam Gerson, and assisted by Wayne Budd and Jack Connors, have each also well represented our class by serving on the board of trustees of the College. Other members of the gift committee were Dom Antonellis, Jack Callahan, Harry Crump, Paul Daley, John Golden, Bill Hogan, Tom Lawlor, Judy Kane Maloney, Tom McCabe, Jack McNamara, Ed O'Brien, Tom Quirk, Bob Reardon, Rob Reilly, Tom Ryan and Bob Uek. All are to be commended for a job well done! • Gerry Healy is a unique medical star in our class, serving as longtime chief of pediatric otolaryngology (ENT) at Children's Hospital in Boston, a very busy and dedicated doctor. • Wayne Budd is another star in our class, having held a number of high-profile positions in the Boston area and currently serving as a top executive with John Hancock. • Sam Gerson is the former CEO of Filene's Basement. He was unable to attend the reunion due to a worsening cancer condition but sent along his regrets, which were conveyed to the class at the gathering. Sam is a great guy, as recounted in Joe Fitzgerald's wonderful column in the Boston Herald on May 30, which I recommend strongly for your reading. Sam, I hope you'll be around to read this in the summer issue. "Godspeed" to a fellow classmate from Dorchester! Samuel J. Gerson, a devoted alumnus, Boston College trustee and proud member of the class of 1963, died on July 12 of cancer. An appreciation of Sam will appear in the Fall issue. Please remember his wife Geri and daughters Dana, Michelle and Jill in your prayers. -Editor

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REUNION YEAR

Constance Donovan has been selected as the recipient of the 2003 Alumni Achievement Award for Health. The entire class of 1964 is invited to join in honoring her achievements at the award ceremony and reception to be held at 7 P.M. on Thursday, September 25, 2003, at Robsham Theater, Main Campus. For more information please visit www.bc.edu/alumniawards or call 800-669-8430 to reserve space at the event. —Editor

It's really true, next spring it will be forty years since we graduated! · Norb Nyhan held an organized meeting on June 23 for those members of our class who had demonstrated interest "in the social aspect of past reunions." The next meeting is tentatively scheduled for September 8 at Alumni House. Anyone interested is strongly encouraged to attend. Norb can be reached at 781-329-4100 days, 781-329-1921 evenings or by e-mail at norb@nyhanmazza.com. Bob Bent, Ellie Rupp Downey, Norb Nyhan, Alice Brennan, Linda Crescenzi, Tom Donaghey, Jane McQueeney, Bill O'Neil, Phil Sheppard, John Stadtler and I attended. Some events which were discussed included a reception after the West Virginia game. Tom Donaghey will chair this event. It's still tentative so watch your mail! . Another suggestion was a theater event to be co-chaired by Ellie and Jane. • The Saturday night event at Reunion Weekend will be co-chaired by Alice Brennan and Bill O'Neil. Other weekend events will be co-chaired by Linda, Bob Bent and Sandra Curtin, as well as Jim Beakey via Clearwater, FL. · Phil Sheppard will be making calls for Laetare Sunday, which is to be March 21. He would like to see a good representation from our class. Please mark you calendars. • Phil also came up with an idea for a midweek informal off campus get together just for alumni. John Stadtler volunteered to work on this with him. • Ellie mentioned a possible school of Education alumni event such as a brunch. If you are interested, please e-mail Ellie at oaktree76@aol.com or contact me at 617-323-4652 or 508-775-7886. I will have updates in the next issue. • Bob Consalvo was lighting up another victory cigar, but this time it was for his son Rob who was elected to the Boston City Council. Congratulations! • On a sad note, I received an obituary from Jane (DeMarco) Moloney, wife of A. Michael Moloney. Mike died following complications from surgery. He had spent much of his career with Frasier Paper, Ltd. as senior vice president of sales and marketing. He was a member of the Shaw Society at BC. A scholarship fund in his name has been established; donations may be sent to the office of Development, More Hall, 140 Commonwealth Ave. Chestnut Hill, MA 02467 or call 888-752-6438. • More news in the Fall issue.

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REUNION YEAR

I had a perfectly wonderful afternoon recently at a luncheon hosted by Carol Sinnott Ulmer. Carol decided to get a group of us together because Rosemarie Van Eyck Winslow was in town from Chicago. Rosemarie and I were French majors together, and so it was really fun to reconnect after all these years. Kathy Wilson Conroy, Morna Ford Sheehy and Joan Nicolaysen Taubner completed the group. It's always fun to get together at one of these mini-reunion events, but this one had an added attraction: Joan brought photos from "life at Newton, 1961-62," and they were hilarious (were we really that young?). Featured players (and I'm only going to use maiden names here) included, in no particular order, Ann Williams, Louise Majewski, Kathi McCarty, Joanne Manning, Judy Ernst, Mary McKeon, Brenda Condry, Sheila Lynch, Margo Butler, Joan, Rosemarie and me. I have one suggestion, and it's for Kathi McCarty: ask Joan for a copy of the black & white shot, from March 1962, of you under the (antiquated) hairdryer! Now, for those of you who were just mentioned here for the first time, why not drop me an update on your doings. • Speaking of updates, Ruthann Kilroy Rossiter checked in with the news that she retired in February from federal service after more than 25 years. She says she "worked in the budget area of our naval hospital in Bremerton. Now I am enjoying gardening, aerobics classes and lots more reading. My husband, Bill, gave me a rag doll kitten just a few months ago and 'Lewis' and I are getting pretty tight! In April, I am scheduled for orientation and training with our community literacy council. I hope to be placed with a nonreading adult, establish some goals together and get underway in reaching them." • Alice O'Connor Josephs filled me in on her serendipitous rediscovery of author and illustrator Tomie de Paola. She was visiting her daughter, Katie, in New Hampshire, and she saw an ad in the local weekly paper. Tomie was having a yard sale in New London, NH, where he lives and has his studio. As Alice describes it, "amid old coffee makers and fax machines, we saw him and he looks the same except, like all of us, he's whiter and a bit rounder. We had a great chat about Newton, he asked about many of our classmates and invited me to come back and see his studio at a less busy time. He wanted to be remembered to everyone and can be contacted through the Morgan Hill Bookstore on Main Street in New London." I close this time on a very sad note. Michael Tortora, the 35-year-old son of Judy Ernst Tortora and her husband, Pete, died on May 25 of brain cancer. He leaves a wife and two small children. For those of you who are interested, a trust has been established for the children, as follows: Tortora Childrens' Trust, c/o Ridgefield Bank, 150 Danbury Rd., Ridgefield, CT 06870.

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Victor F. Ciardello has been selected as the recipient of the 2003 Alumni Achievement Award for Public Service. The entire class of 1965 is invited to join in honoring his achievements at the award ceremony and reception to be held

at 7 P.M. on Thursday, September 25, 2003, at Robsham Theater, Main Campus. For more information please visit www.bc.edu/alumniawards or call 800-669-8430 to reserve space at the event. -Editor

Dave Falwell is living in South Natick and is with Middlesex Bank. His daughter is living in Seattle, and his son recently graduated from Ithaca. • Jim Mahoney and Sarah Ann's daughter, Sarah, was married in June to David Morris at the Mahoneys' beautiful new vacation home in Ellisville. • Jim Gormley was recently inducted into the Massachusetts State High School Hockey Coaches Hall of Fame. Jim began his hockey-coaching career while still at BC as an assistant at Norwood High School. Jim was named head coach at Stoughton High School in 1970, retired briefly to raise his family and continue graduate study but returned in 1979 to his alma mater, BC High, to coach for five years. In 1984 he returned to Norwood High, and for ten years he has assisted with the State Hockey Tournament as a site supervisor. We congratulate him on this most recent honor. • Congratulations to Andrew Cernota, son of Albert and Roberta DeGrinney Cernota, who was sworn in as a member of the New Hampshire Bar. Andy is practicing law in Nashua. We do need information for this column, so please take a minute to e-mail me news.

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Peggy Conley Villela and Ruy ('61) announce the arrival of their fifth grandchild, Macy Margaret, on March 7. Parents John and Jennifer Clemons Villela, (both '94) have another daughter, Rose, 2 1/2. All of them will be cheering for the Eagles at home games this fall. Peggy and Ruy are enjoying retirement in Placida, FL, playing golf, bridge, and doing some boating in local waters. • Gay Friedmann and Betsy Warren were having dinner one night in May with Betsy's husband at a nice restaurant in Georgetown. Betsy has been chairman of the DC Republican party for the last few years. A fellow Republican was also at the restaurant and stopped and said hello and introduced Betsy and Gay to his dinner guest. Who did they meet but Marie Constance Gonzalez, who lives in Makati City in the Phillippines. So what, you say? Well, Marie is Newton class of '72! Who says that Newton girls don't get around! As chairman of the DC Republicans, Betsy was proud to recently open the first DC Republican downtown storefront office. Betsy oversaw the project, and everyone is thrilled with it. · Marilyn Manelli Frank and husband Bill's younger son is serving in the marines and is currently stationed in Iraq. Our prayers and good wishes go out to them and to other Newton alumni who have family serving in our armed forces. • Judy Violick and husband Larry are justifiably proud of their son Justin, who graduated cum laude from Colby College in Waterville, ME, with a degree in economics in May. Justin will be working for Arnold and Porter in Washington, DC, next year. • I can report that retirement is a wonderful gift we can give ourselves. My business, Eagle Ridge Services (named both for the BC Eagles and the eagles that are returning to nest here in the Poconos), provides me with the opportunity to work as a consultant in math education and to write federal grants for some local public

schools, while at the same time having the flexibility to travel whenever I want. I have also been the caretaker for the two dogs belonging to my son Mike, '90, for the last year, and they have provided much fodder for a possible future book. They have consumed such things as grass seed, paint and soap and have taught my previously wonderful dog many new mischievous tricks. • Now that you are finished reading the current news, please send me your news and/or your e-mail address right now! Before submitting a column, I try to contact all who have sent me their address to remind them that news is due. You wouldn't have read this far if you weren't interested in what your classmates are doing. There are others who want to hear about you! Thanks to all who sent news for this column. Until the next time, be well and happy.

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John J. Michalczyk has been selected as the recipient of the 2003 Alumni Achievement Award for Arts and Humanities. The entire class of 1966 is invited to join in honoring his achievements at the award ceremony and reception to be held at 7 р.м. on Thursday, September 25, 2003, at Robsham Theater, Main Campus. For more information please visit www.bc.edu/alumniawards or call 800-669-8430 to reserve space at the event. -Editor

Jim Coogan, currently residing in Cape Cod as a newspaper journalist with his own column, recently co-authored Clarence, The Cranberry Who Couldn't Bounce. Growing up, Jim's father would create stories on their walks together. When Coogan became a father he continued the story-telling tradition, and from that emerged an imaginative and entertaining children's book. • Congratulations to Dr. Janic Barrett for receiving a 2003-2004 Fulbright Scholar lecturing/research award from the Council for International Exchange of Scholars. During the 2003-04 academic year, Barrett will conduct advanced research and teach in the communications program at Dublin City University. She will be consulting with DCU colleagues on curriculum development for a new graduate program. Barrett is also a co-chair for the Institute on the Media and American Democracy at Harvard University and a member of the Board of Judges for the JFK Library's annual "Profiles in Courage" essay contest. • Congratulations to Gerard T. Kennealey upon receiving a graduate degree in History from the University of Delaware.

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It is with great joy that we write about the ordination to the priesthood of Nick Sannella on May 24 at the Cathedral of the Holy Cross. Father Sannella is a former vascular surgeon, having earned his MD from Tufts Medical

School and his JD from Suffolk University Law School. He was ordained by the apostolic administrator of the Archdiocese of Boston, the most reverend Richard Lennon. Father Sannella has spent the last three years at Blessed John XXIII Seminary in Weston preparing for this major life change. Father Sannella said his Mass of Thanksgiving at Trinity Chapel on the Newton campus. He was principal celebrant, Father Leahy was a concelebrant and Father Monan was the homilist. A reception followed in the Heights Room on the Chestnut Hill campus. Father Sannella has been assigned to Most Blessed Sacrament parish in Wakefield by the archdiocese of Boston. Your correspondents were privileged to be invited to both the ordination and the Mass of Thanksgiving. The class is very proud to have another classmate as a priest. • John St. George was popping his uniform buttons with pride at the commissioning of his son Tom ('03) who completed his ROTC training. Tom was commissioned a second lieutenant in the army by his cousin, a lieutenant, junior grade, who graduated from the Naval Academy in 2000. It was a beautiful, sunny day on the Bapst lawn. Tom has been assigned to army aviation. · Tom Walsh writes that his son Brian and Brian's wife, Sylvia, have given them a grandson, Aidan Brian Walsh, born on May 31 in Nashua, NH. Tom and Madeline are living in CT. • Congratulations to Cindy Rae Butters for earning her doctorate, an Ed.D. from UMass, Boston. Cindy has worked long and hard for her doctorate while working full time. Her husband, Al Butters, is retiring from the Boston School Department after thirty-six years. They have decided on a Bermuda cruise and a two-week vacation in Hawaii to celebrate. Sounds good to me! Again, congratulations and best wishes to you both. Congratulations to all classmates who are attending graduations at this time of year. • To Marty Ridge, our congrats for a job well done as you complete your two-year term on the alumni board of directors. • Write or e-mail about what is happening in your life that you won't mind seeing in print!

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Not much news to pass on this time around. The DC-MD-VA-area Alumnae Tea took place as planned in early April. Everyone enjoyed the book discussion led by Sister White and the time to socialize afterward. I especially was pleased to see Nancy Birdsall, Jane Hannaway, Rosemary Daly Marcuss, Sandy McGrath Huke and Suzette Ellsworth Baird. We had a grand time figuring out how our lives have criss-crossed over the years. This is the tenth year for this event, and I have coordinated them all, but this was my swan song. I look forward to being more of an attendee in the future. · We do seem to have one classmate who is frequently in the media. In mid-May Nancy Birdsall once again had her picture in the Washington Post. The accompanying interview showed how successfully Nancy's life has combined family and increasing responsibilities as an economist in search of a global contract to reduce poverty. She was described as "an independent thinker ... attuned to the needs of the world." Congratulations, Nancy! · Kudos must also be sent out to Paula Lyons. In late April, Paula served as guest narrator for a BC Concert Band performance of Music of the British Isles. It was part of the fifth annual BC Arts Festival. Paula remains an award-winning consumer editor on Boston TV and hosts "Lyons on the Lookout", a program covering consumer issues in New England. • Also, for those of you on the Cape-Cape Cod for us non-New Englanders—Deborah Carr wrote an article for Cape Home and Garden. She had all sort of suggestions for homeowners preparing to renovate their kitchens or baths. Even though I do not live in the area and will have to find my own contractors, the information gave me more to think about as I prepare for some similar changes in my own house. • Once again I want to encourage everyone else in the class to send on news about what you are doing. Not all of us live in the United States either; what is happening to those of you in more distant areas? If you don't have news about yourself, what have you heard from your classmates? The class prayer network is still in operation. Please let me know if you have an intention to pray for or just want to be on the contact list. I can be reached in any of the ways listed at the top of the column. Meanwhile, may you all have a glorious Fall!

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A special "thank you" to Jane Sullivan Burke, our official reunion scribe, for submitting the following report: Our thirty-fifth reunion, from Wednesday dinner in Newport to Sunday brunch in Newton, was a resounding success. Many thanks to Jean Sullivan, Betty Barry Sweet and Kathy Hogan Mullaney for all their efforts in making Newport such a wonderful experience, especially Jean who could not even attend because she had a business commitment in NYC. The crew from BC did their usual fine job in hosting the campus events. On a beautiful sunny day in RI we lunched in a restaurant located on the harbor, were treated to a late afternoon sailing excursion and dined in elegance at the Castle Hill Inn where Jean works. Friday morning Betty and her mother hosted a delicious brunch. • At Thursday's lunch Betty Downes suggested that everyone at the table, eighteen in total, say something about themselves and about someone not in attendance. Here's what was reported: Judy Vetter continues to reside in Dallas, designing and making beautiful quilts. She had just returned from horseback riding in Montana and promises to get her own e-mail address soon. Judy reported that Jane Hanify Pitt is retiring from her law practice and moving full time to NH to the home in which she vacationed in her youth. In early May, Marcy McPhee Kenah became a grandmother for the first time. Marcy works part-time for an architect. She, Betty Downes, and Marge Gaynor Palmer visited Julia Lopez in San Francisco earlier in the Spring. Both Marge and Julia are doing well. Pat Wolf continues to live in Shrewsbury and,

already a paralegal, is considering law school. Pat reported that Ann Barbaccia Pollack is the proud grandmother of twins and continues her OB/GYN practice on Long Island. Sheila MacIntyre has two boys, one seventeen and a life guard in Falmouth this summer and the other studying genetics at Johns Hopkins. Mac teaches yoga and works part time as a nurse. She reported that Pat Brock lives in Montreal where she is an editor of high school textbooks. Joanne Carr is happily retired (and happily married) after 26 years as a Federal Court Probation Officer. Barry Noone Remley continues to run her own very successful interior design firm and just bought a house in Silver Springs, MD. She is in touch with Polly Kayser Hober, also a grandmother of two, who could not attend because of family commitments. Ellen Mooney Mello spoke of the foundation in her son Chris' name and of all the other remembrances of Chris at Princeton University, Rye HS, and the Rye YMCA. Ellen has a new winter home in Vero Beach, FL, should anyone be in the neighborhood. College roommates Kathy Hogan Mullaney and Martha Harrington Kennedy both sold their homes and moved to condos. Kathy's son, Brian, was married last year and Martha is the grandmother of three girls. Betty Downes and Sue Sturtevant both continue to reside in NM. Betty is a private consultant in organizational development and recently returned from a trip to South Africa where she had an opportunity to meet with Nelson Mandela. Sue has a new position as Director of State Cultural Affairs, after working many years in the museum field. Jamie Coy Wallace lives in NYC, works as a free-lance film editor, and has two grown boys. She reported that Sandy Mosta Spies recently moved from Princeton, NJ to Providence, RI and works for Fleet Bank. Mary Ethel Harvey Stack has moved from NJ to SC close to her two daughters. Carolyn Brady O'Leary is also in the midst of downsizing, making her home on the Cape her central residence. She continues to work part-time in the Medfield Library. Barbara Farrell McTiernan remains the Head of Development for Prospect Park in Brooklyn. Mary Fran DiPetro Murphy has also downsized and has a married daughter living in San Diego and a son who just graduated from Fairfield University. She is Director of Marketing for a giftware company. Jeanie Sullivan McKeigue has two sons in business, two daughters who are teachers, and looks forward to two weddings in the next four months. She is also a very proud grandmother. Tricia Marshall Gay became the grandmother of three this year. Retiring, grandparenting, and relocating seemed to be the themes for the day! . Just think ... all this information came from one lunch. Stay tuned for reports from the Boston parties. Kathy Hogan Mullaney has volunteered to head the committee to celebrate our next significant birthday! You won't want to miss that news, so make sure that I have your correct e-mail address.

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REUNION YEAR

John King and wife Marilyn have relocated to Portland, OR, after 21 years in Teaneck, NJ. John welcomes any classmate passing through the Portland area to stop by and visit. The Kings' daughter Becky graduated from BC in May 2002. • Jim Malone is living in New Canaan, CT, where he is general counsel for a company. Jim has qualified for the US Senior Golf Championship, sponsored by the USGA. Last fall Jim recorded his fifth hole-in-one. • Carol Joyce is continuing her psychotherapy practice in New York City, using myth and song as part of the treatment. She performed in Cabaret with musical director Dick Gallagher in a tribute to 9/11 firefighters. She also did a Celtic myth and songfest at the Vocal Arts Studio in NYC. • Jim Ciullo had his first novel, A Tango in Tuscany, published in 2002 by PublishAmerica. It is a suspense thriller with some human-rights themes. · Sympathy to Barry Gallup whose son Darren was killed in an automobile accident in February. Darren was a star athlete at Belmont Hill and had been accepted at Harvard University.

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REUNION YEAR

I hit the jackpot this time! My 20 solicited letters brought lots of news from all of you. Unbelievably, some news will have to follow in the next issue because I have a word limit. First, condolences are offered to Brigid Shanley Lamb on the death of her sister, Maureen, who died after fighting several kinds of cancer, and also on the shocking death of her brother three weeks after that, apparently of an aneurysm. Our prayers are with you. Continue to pray for her family as her younger brother, Brendan, is now struggling with prostate cancer. On a happier note, Brigid writes that she and her husband, Jim, continue to live in the great state of NJ, but they vacation at their beach house in eastern Long Island. While she no longer practices law, her husband still happily does. Brigid is quite active, both playing golf and working on the administrative side of it. (Can you beat my daughter's 5.5 handicap?) They have raised three little darlings. Seamus, born in 1978, lives and works in Miami. He graduated from Rollins. Sean, born in 1979, graduated from Franklin and Marshall College and is looking for a job in the financial sector in NY. (That's where my son would like to be, too. Anybody able to help?) Abigail, born in 1982, is on a semester abroad from Middlebury; she is in the Czech Republic. She played on the national championship ice-hockey team as a freshman and plays varsity field hockey for Middlebury. Brigid is looking forward to 2004, when the college tuitions will end. Thanks for the e-mail, Brigid. • Congratulations are in order for Susan Power Gallagher and Sarah Ford Baine. Both won their elections to the Boston College Alumni Board. Keep our voices heard. • Kudos to Lyn Peterson. She's signed a contract for her second book, "Lyn Peterson's Real Life Renovations." In addition, she is designing a furniture line under the Motif Designs brand that is expected to launch this fall. So, go on the hunt for these products, Newton girls! Lyn states that all her successes and the hurdles and challenges she constantly confronts pale next to the hole in her life left with the waning of full-time motherhood. (I'm right there with you on that one!) Her daughter Anne, 26, works in finance, and Kristina, 22, graduated summa cum laude, Phi Beta Kappa, from Georgetown in June 2002. Erik, 19, is a sophomore at Syracuse, and still at home is Lyn's 14-year-old. Lyn continues to enjoy life with her husband, Karl, whom she says is still "hot!" We want to check him out at the reunion next year! Thanks for the e-mail, Lyn. • Pat Sullivan Shapiro writes from Arlington. She lives there with her husband, Mark, and two children. Her daughter, Pam, 18, recently graduated from Arlington Catholic and is deciding between Brandeis and UMass for college. Pat delights in the plumbing skills of her son, Matt, 20. Four years ago, Pat switched from teaching and is now a bilingual school psychologist for the Boston Public Schools. Good to hear from you, Pat! • Another Pat answered my call, too. That's our former correspondent, Pat Kenney Seremet. Have you seen her lately? The Hartford Courant featured our very own advanced-aged, collagen-free, nonbeauteous Pat on a billboard along I-84. She hopes too many accidents weren't caused viewing her face. I hope you are still in print when I return along I-84 to take my daughter back to Holy Cross. Pat continues to write her "JAVA" column, gossiping about others. Just recently, she covered a Broadway opening in NYC and talked with Walter Cronkite, Ellen Burstyn and Dina Merrill, but Monica Lewinsky would not give her the time of day. We know who missed out there! Thanks, Pat, for the postcard. · Alicia Silva Ritchie writes from Washington, DC. She currently works at the Inter-American Development Bank, which lends to all countries in Latin America and the Caribbean. Ever since leaving Newton and attending Johns Hopkins, Alicia has passionately worked on economic development issues in this hemisphere. In her current position at the bank, Alicia is chief of the social-programs division, serving the southernmost countries of Latin America. She lends resources for programs in health education, social protection and lowincome housing. Family-wise, Alicia has been married for 31 years to Daniel Ritchie, now retired from the World Bank. He continues to consult almost full time. Their older daughter, Cristina, 29, is a public-service lawyer who works at the National Women's Law Center in DC, and their younger daughter, Elina, 26, is a partner in a small film-production business in NYC who is headed for business school this fall. Alicia hears from several classmates, but not frequently enough. You know who you are ... Kathy, Jessica, Kathie, Marge and Laurie! Let's hear from you. • Noreen Weaver Shawcross couldn't ignore my personal solicitation and sends her first ever "newsnote." She is executive director of the Rhode Island Coalition for the Homeless. After many years as a child-welfare social worker, she decided that building stronger communities with decent affordable housing was the way to alleviate many of our social problems. She is the lobbyist for housing and homeless issues at the State House. The coalition just released Rhode Island's plan to end homelessness. On a personal note, Noreen has been married to Ray, a family court judge, for 34 years. They have three wonderful daughters and a 10-month-old grandchild, Meredith Grace. I'm glad someone is contributing to making this world a better place. • Gosh, I wish I could write more this time, but my limit is up. Stay tuned, there's more to come in the next issue.

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Thanks to the Boston College Alumni Association, Newton alums residing near Washington, DC, recently gathered for an annual reunion, tea and book discussion hosted by the association with Sister Elizabeth White, RSCJ, as special guest. Having heard rave reviews from Boston friends who participate in Sister White's Newton College Book Club, I was grateful we DC alums also had an opportunity to share the sister's discerning analysis. Sister White led an insightful discussion of Ann Patchett's Bel Canto, which she described as "a good yarn." True to form, Sister revealed layers to the novel that participants agreed to having missed in their own reading-or even in their book club discussions of the same work. I remain jealous of Boston alums who have the luxury of doing this on a regular basis. • The reunion enabled me to touch base with Sue Turner. A self-described "city person," Sue is thrilled to have resettled in the DC area and hopes to remain there for the foreseeable future, having moved 17 times since college. Her offspring, however, have succumbed to wanderlust. Maggie, her eldest, holds an executive job in San Francisco; Rob and Michael reside in Manhattan, where Rob is a newlywed accountant and Michael manages and edits a Web site for Kaplan. Sue works in McLean, VA; she was pleasantly surprised to look up from her desk one day to see Barbara Cook Fabiani inquiring about a potential purchase. Sue graciously took time to fill me in on news from several classmates. Jean Whalen Carosi resides in Newburyport, where she teaches middle school social studies and is an avid golfer. (In fact, Nancy Hanafin is her frequent golfing partner.) Jean has two sons: Derek, who works in advertising in Denver, CO, and Brendan, a recent Boston University graduate who hopes to teach English overseas. • Mary Jane Sayour Gosen resides in Westfield, NJ, and works for a large pharmaceutical company. She has two married daughters and three granddaughters of whom she is quite proud. She keeps in touch with Betsy Langer Kapp, a vice president with Bank One Ohio Trust in Cleveland, who attended the wedding of Mary Jane's daughter. · Margaret Collins Burns resides in Wellesley, teaches art in Weston and has two daughters: Deirdre, a student at the University of Vermont, and Madeline, a recent graduate of the same university. • Also representing our class at the DC gathering was Mary Downs, associate general counsel at Fannie Mae. Both of her daughters are dedicated ballerinas, though Mary reports her own dance career ended at a very young age. Mary's eldest, Sarah, graduated this spring from the University of Pennsylvania with a joint degree in philosophy, political science and economics. Daughter Julia is a junior at the National Cathedral School in Washington, DC, interested in pursuing dance in college. Mary's son attends elementary school in Rockville, MD. Mary keeps in touch with Chicky Villano, a Superior Court judge in Tom's River, NJ; Chicky's caseload primarily involves juvenile justice cases. • Please keep your news coming. Happy fall!

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At a time when strenuous is defined, by many of us, as managing the controls of a La-Z-Boy, Marianne Cavicchi Drusano is testing for her sandan, the third-degree karate black belt! Marianne reports that the dojo is her fountain of youth. She also reports that her husband, George Drusano, is now the codirector of the Ordway Research Institute in Albany, NY. Their three sons, Chip, Michael and Stephen, are doing well. Michael is following his father's footsteps at University of Maryland Medical School, and Stephen is a senior at Ithaca. How's this for delivering the news? Chris Vogel Vierra ('90) reports that on February 18, 2003, she and Hunter Hammill were having a discussion in the delivery room and discovered they both were BC grads. It turns out that Chris was the first BC alum he delivered, and it was a potential double Eagle event as Matthew and Maggie were born two minutes apart. Hunter is a leading OB/GYN in Houston, TX. • Thomas J. Lynch, Jr., and his wife, Lois, celebrated the wedding of their daughter Colleen ('97) to Michael Pritoni. The wedding was at St. Ignatius, and the reception, with several BC alums, was held at the Boston Harbor Hotel. · Michael R. Franco has been appointed vice president for college advancement at St. John's College in Santa Fe, NM. The Fall River native began his professional career as a newspaper journalist. He soon became involved in higher education, including assignments as Boston College director of communications and executive director of development. He also has held vice presidencies at the University of Rochester, Rhode Island School of Design and Roger Williams College. Michael and his wife, Susan, now reside in Santa Fe. . Lawrence Kenney is pleased to report that his daughter Ashley is entering her sophomore year at BC. His younger daughter, Lindsay, also has her eyes on BC. Larry and Nancy live in Maple Glen, PA, and summer in Avalon, NJ, enjoying the Jersey shore and sailing. During junior year at Roncalli there was a group known as "the City." He would like to hear from any member. • Former roommates Russ Pavia, John Mashia and Joe Collins held their annual reunion over Kentucky Derby weekend in (Viva) Las Vegas. They dined at the Venetian and Ruth's Cris Steak House. They also cruised the strip and watched the Derby at the Mirage's Sports Book. Lady Luck was absent, but a return trip is in the works. · William Kendall is proud to announce that his son, Jonathan, has joined the Peace Corps and will be teaching in Benin, West Africa. This is two countries over from Ghana, where Bill and four other members of the class of '71 were assigned by the Peace Corps 32 years ago! Attending the good-bye party were Jim Engler, who was also in Peace Corps Ghana, and Ed Kofron. • Fran Silvestri and his wife, Suzy, live in Auckland, New Zealand. After 25 years as CEO of a community mental health center in Keene, NH, he is currently the director of the International Institute of Mental Health Leaders. The institute is supported by several governments, and his travels take him to Europe and the U.S., where he has a summer home on Peaks Island, ME. Their daughter Lisetta graduated this year from St. John's College in Santa Fe, NM. Contact Fran at fran@pl.net; he says the sailing in New Zealand is great.

NEWTON

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Hello, everyone! I know you are all out there somewhere, and so I have a few ideas for you. Did your son/daughter graduate from college/high school? Did you get a promotion or retire? Did your son/daughter get married? Did you have any additions to the family? Did anyone publish a book? Was anyone interviewed on NPR? Did anyone go on vacation? Any of these news items would ensure that your classmates are up to date on what you are doing. • And now



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the news: Sharon Zailckas Lena writes that her parents spent three months with her in FL while her dad was recovering from heart surgery. Both of Sharon's sons graduated from West Point. Richard, an army captain, graduated from aviation school and earned his wings in April. Christopher, a lieutenant, is finishing his third year of medical school. Sharon also has a new granddaughter, Lauren, who was born last December and baptized in February at an army base. Meanwhile, Sharon took a new position as RN with a law firm that specializes in helping the elderly and their families with legal and medical advice on how to preserve their assets to pay for health care. • Since we didn't make it into the spring issue, this bit of news, though old, has not been shared. Melissa Robbins Lombardo writes that her daughter, Nicole, 18, got early decision to attend Clark University in Worcester. "That should be a great place for a purple-haired, tongue-pierced art major." Her older daughter, Sarah, who is on the Regis College swimming and diving team, came south this past winter to train at the University of Miami. Melissa and her husband, Mike, sold the house they lived in for 25 years and are in the process of moving to Lord's Point in Stonington, CT. • I also received a short note from Chris Moran, who had just finished her annual 20-mile walk for hunger on May 4. She is doing great. A reminder, if you want to track down any classmates, register and then log on to the BC online community, at www.bc.edu/alumni. You can also register for a free E-mail for Life forwarding address. Stay well and keep in touch.

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This is the thirtieth anniversary of my column, and to celebrate I have a little more news than usual. First, some local BC news: I got to see our star basketball recruit, Sean Marshall '07, lead his team to the championship of suburban southern California. He's very promising. Back to our class, congratulations are in order for several members or their sons: Jim O'Toole, who, as far as I know, is the only one in our class who's on the BC faculty, was promoted to full professor in the history department. Also, his latest book, Passing for White, was chosen by the Book-of-the-Month Club, the first time in twenty-five years that a BC professor has had such an honor. • Coleman Szely is the incoming president of the Bergen County chapter of the New Jersey Society of CPAs and won that group's achievement award for this year.
• A former resident of Bergen County who is now a Newport Beach, CA, software magnate, John Sacco will be sending his son Nick to the University of Southern California. John is on the mend from his second neck and spinal-cord surgery in two years. He reports that Bill Fornaci, who's back in NJ after years of living in FL, visited one of his sons in Italy this summer. His other son is a member of the Penn State band. • Gene McLaughlin, who's still in the Greenwich, CT, town attorney's office, is enrolling his son Owen in Mary Washington College in VA. Owen was class president at Fairfield High School in CT. • A correction from last quarter's column: the classmate I met while watching the Motor City Bowl was John Kozmenko, who's a divisional controller with Cisco Systems and a resident of Mountain View, CA. That's it for now. As usual, send me some news.

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Please take a moment to remember in your prayers our classmate Bonnie Young, who passed away last summer. Sadly, let's also remember in our prayers Ruth Tams Fuquen. Ruth passed away late in December at her home in Canton, OH, after a long illness. Ruth had dedicated her life to Latin American studies, languages and teaching, beginning at her alma mater Stuart Country Day School of the Sacred Heart, and later at Newton and at the University of Akron, as a Spanish instructor. She was a member of the board of the Ohio Opera Theater and the Mutual Friends Reading Group of Canton, a friend of the Stark County Library and a participant in various poetry workshops. Her mother, her husband, three daughters and five siblings survive Ruth. Many thanks to Elizabeth Coan, who sent us this information from Mary Coan. Mary and Ruth were classmates from kindergarten through college. Also, let's take a moment to remember in our prayers the recently departed Virginia Malaney Jaquet, mother of Susan Jaquet NC '73. • Anne Brescia and Brian Connell and Bob and Norma Tanguay Frye represented our class at the Reunion Weekend Mass and brunch. • Meg Barres Alonso and Mario will be without both sons this fall as Mike graduates from high school as salutatorian and attends Princeton in the fall. Matt is in Troy, NY, on an internship for a private firm that develops custom meteorological forecasting models for the government and industry. • Congratulations and welcome back to the pages of Bon Appetit to Mary Catherine Deibel for her newly relocated restaurant, Upstairs on the Square, in Harvard Square. Congratulations to Betsy Leece Conti on her son Jack's gradation from Georgetown. Shelly Noone Connolly and Mike will have Meghan in the BC '07 incoming class. BC plans on renovating Hardy and Cushing during the summer. • Beth Carroll Pokorny was unable to attend the annual tea for Newton alumnae in the greater Washington area. Beth and Don are busy with their two daughters, Andrea, at George Mason University, and Maria, soon to be a freshman at Radford. • Adrienne Tarr Free NC '67 led our committee for the annual spring tea for Newton College alumnae in the DC, MD and VA area. This year included a book group discussion led by Elizabeth White, RSCJ. What a treasure Sister White is for everyone in the Newton and Boston College community! Attendance at the tea is always high, and having it at Stone Ridge Country Day School was a special touch. This year, Sister White did not stand in fifth position, as she chose an informal presentation in order to support discussion. If you happen to see someone in the Newton area carrying a briefcase or wearing a t-shirt bearing the logo "885," stop and give a big hello to Sister White. Also attending the tea were Claire Kondolf, RSCJ, in residence at Stone Ridge, and Margaret Mary Canty, RSCJ, from Kenwood. Finally, a big thank you goes to those who made the tea possible, particularly the BC Alumni Association and Julie Hirschberg Nuzzo NC '74, assistant director for Newton College. • Please remember to use the e-mail address above for your news.

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Archbishop Timothy P. A. Broglio has been selected as the recipient of the 2003 Alumni Achievement Award for Religion. The entire class of 1973 is invited to join in honoring his achievements at the award ceremony and reception to be held at 7 Р.м. on Thursday, September 25, 2003, at Robsham Theater, Main Campus. For more information please visit www.bc.edu/alumniawards or call 800-669-8430

to reserve space at the event. —Editor Classmates, how is it going? Were you swept up in the reality TV programs this past spring? American Idol and Nashville Star had a lot of us voting for our favorites, while Fear Factor grossed us out. Hooray for reality TV. • Well, our thirtieth reunion has come and gone. The class is looking forward to hearing from those of you who attended the reunion. I was already wondering how we might celebrate our thirty-fifth college reunion and thinking about a thirty-fifth reunion cruise. Is anyone related to someone who works for the cruise industry? · Carol Ribeiro Navedo M.S. '90, has been wellness director at Epic Assisted Living in Norton for the last five years. Carol also works for the VNA as a community health nurse. Carol and her husband, Johnny, have four children. Their oldest child, Lorie, is a physicaleducation teacher and varsity girls' basketball coach for the Springfield, MA, school system. Their next child, Jenn, is a quality controller for Kendall-Tyco in Mansfield and is happily planning her upcoming wedding. Carol and Johnny's son David is a junior at Springfield College, and their youngest child, Michael, is in his second year at Lasell College in Newton, where he plays men's soccer and was voted Rookie of the Year for the 2002-03 school year. Thanks very much to Carol for the great update. • Kathy McGuire Perri and her husband, John, also have four children, three of whom perform in rock bands in the greater Boston area. Their son Dominic, 21, is a music-industry major at Northeastern University. Dominic plays the guitar and sings in his rock group. Kathy and John's son Jonathon, 18, plays bass guitar for the band Strutter and is a freshman at Bridgewater State College. Their youngest son, Daniel, 16, plays the drums for the group The Lead Hour. Kathy and John's daughter, Alicia, 23, graduated from Ithaca College and now works in Boston in Massachusetts State Representative Jim Vallee's office. Thanks very much to the Perri family for this great update. • James J. Boyle, the vice president for institutional advancement at SUNY Cortland since 1996, retired from the college in December 2002. Jim worked as a consultant to the college foundation during the spring 2003 semester and earned the designation vice president emeritus for institutional advancement. During Jim's six years of leadership at SUNY Cortland, the net assets of the college foundation increased from \$3 million to \$8.3 million. Jim was a political science major at BC, earned his master's degree in public administration from Penn State and has a Ph.D. in higher education from Syracuse University. Jim and his wife, Patricia Weigel-Boyle, have four children, Jim, Meg, Brendan and Bridget. They reside in Wells, ME, where Jim is working as a development consultant for Demont Associates of Portland, ME. • Classmates, remember to e-mail your news as soon as you receive this issue of Boston College Magazine. News about you, your children and your grandchildren is much appreciated by everyone in the class. God bless.

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REUNION YEAR

Paul J. Hesketh has been selected as the recipient of the 2003 Alumni Achievement Award for Science. The entire class of 1974 is invited to join in honoring his achievements at the award ceremony and reception to be held at 7 P.M. on Thursday, September 25, 2003, at Robsham Theater, Main Campus. For more information please visit www.bc.edu/alumniawards or call 800-669-8430 to reserve space at the event. —Editor

Hi, everyone! I apologize for the missing column ... no excuses, I just wrote down the wrong deadline. I hope you had a nice summer and that you are planning to celebrate our thirtieth (Yikes!) reunion next spring. If you have any ideas or time to share in the planning of our reunion, please e-mail me or call Amy Belmore, assistant director, classes, at the Alumni Association; she is our class contact. We will be getting together in the next month, so please think about it. By now you should have received an e-mail about our plans for a football game and FanFest. If you have not been to a pregame FanFest, it is really worth checking out, especially with children. Our class and '75 had a great turnout for last season's BC-Navy game: Joe Glynn, Bob Sheehan '75, Sean Hunt, Jim Wasiolek, John Colbert, Ann and Chet Franczyk, Jane Flatley McSorley, Jane Flatley Jackson, the Mahoneys, the McCarthys, Jim and I, and a lot of friends and family members. • I received a nice note from Tom Sasso about his and some BC friends' "First-Ever Dixit Celebration Weekend Reunion and Hoedown" (!) last summer at the O'Connells' Cape Cod home. Partying were Denise Kenny, Keith Kulper and Joan O'Connell, along with Bill Boyle '75 and Marge O'Brien '75, and former Kilsyth roommates George Simpson, Dan Pepin and Mary Meadows and their families. They all had a great time. • My family is doing well, and our daughter Andi will be a freshman at the Heights this fall. Please send me your news! Take care.

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REUNION YEAR

Your class correspondent was tardy with her class notes last time, so these class notes include Christmas messages from near and far ... Far away in England is Diane Tanguay Prokup and husband Bob. Both Diane and Bob work for the National Security Agency and are on a liaison tour with the British government counterparts. The Prokups have enjoyed England and look forward to the return to the States next year with mixed feelings. Daughter Lisa, a junior at Simmons, spent her second semester in Paris. "Auntie" Norma lives in Sudbury and is Lisa's home away from home. Anna, 15, has been going to a British "public" school. • I heard from

Naomi Hashimota Suzuki, who lives in Tokyo. Her son, Satoshi, is studying for the judicial examination with hopes of becoming a public prosecutor. Naomi still teaches Japanese and expects to be working at the dormitory at the Sacred Heart University. She has also obtained the first level of master flower arrangement. · Beth Carroll, husband John Meyer and puppy Rocky have moved to the country, still in CT but closer to VT. Both Beth and John are now working from home, for the same company, in different divisions. • Closer to home, Donna Paolina writes that last May Martha O'Donnell Roger, Mary Kiernan Salsich, Carol Conlon McIntosh, Terry Ryan McEntee and Donna Paolino Urciuoli had a reunion in Mary's hometown of Annapolis. Donna's oldest daughter, Mari Marchionte '01, graduated from Boston College with a major in English. When Mari was a freshman, she lived in Duchesne East, just like her mother! Mari is now in an M.A.T. program at Simmons. Daughter Kara is a sophomore at Lynn University in Boca Raton. Donna and husband Bob Urciuli have a home in West Palm Beach and are close by. Donna is involved in the family real estate business, Paolino Properties. Donna is also a trustee of Lincoln School for Girls in Providence and on the boards of Sophia Academy and RISE, which places children of incarcerated and drug-addicted woman in independent schools. • Patricia Waters is the Raytheon vice president for business ethics and compliance. Patty's frequent flights to the Pentagon were temporarily suspended as she recovered from a bad break from falling down some stairs at work. • Hope to hear some news from you!

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Hello, everyone. I hope you all had an enjoyable summer, and we shall look forward to a successful football season at the Heights. Congratulations to Mark Frey. He is pleased to announce the birth of his daughter, Hannah Ross Vogel-Frey, born on April 13 in Los Angeles. Mark has recently been promoted to district manager for Blue Shield of California. His partner and he live in Rolling Hills, CA. Kathie Cantwell McCarthy wishes to thank all who participated in class events and who sent in their \$25 dues this past year. We hope you will continue to be involved and contact fellow classmates to join you in upcoming events. Please make your e-mail address available to help defray our mailing cost. Feel free to contact Kathie if you wish to be involved in planning or sharing of your ideas and suggestions. Her e-mail is shamrock1739@msn.com. Watch your e-mail for upcoming events, and we hope to hear from you soon. Kathie's daughter, Sheila '03, graduated BC in May and has been chosen to participate in the Jesuit Volunteer Corps of the Southwest. She has accepted a position with the Homeless Advocacy Project in San Francisco and will begin August 2003 working with the homeless and those at risk. We are proud of her commitment to reach out and assist others in need and to use her BC education and talent in such a generous and admirable manner. God bless her in her work and transition. Kathie's son, Tom '01, continues his work in law He is a member of the Framingham Auxiliary Police and is an armed security officer. This year he accepted a position as a seasonal police officer in Hull. In the meantime, he manages his well-established

T's Landscape business. Kathy and I had the pleasure of meeting and chatting with actor Chris O'Donnell '92 as he was honored by the BC Fine Arts Council. He was very cordial and a true gentleman to all those gathered around him for a precious photo! • Class news has been rather light, so please take a moment to drop me a line or two. We would love to hear from you.

As I write this in June, the sky is gray and about

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to burst open—no surprise considering the wet spring we've endured. It will be interesting to read this column in September and look back on the summer to see if we continued to take cover or actually got some sun to tone down the ashen skin we've been sporting for months on end! · I got a great surprise e-mail from Laura Zerbinati! Our favorite fashion designer resides in Panama and recently traveled to the U.S. to have lunch with Catalina Echavarria in Miami while on her way to DC and VA. Last fall, Laura presented her collection on E! and CNN-Spanish as well as at the May 2003 "Miss Universe Fashion Show," where the contestants served as models. Laura shares that Catalina moved to Key Biscayne after many years in her native Ecuador and is a highly regarded interior and furniture designer who has received many international awards for her professional endeavors. • Eileen Sutherland Brupbacher had a career change last September and is now a broker for Ringler Associates, a company that arranges annuities in insurance settlements. Her older son, Jay, was due to graduate from Georgetown this past spring, and her second son, Dan, will be a senior there this fall. • Posey Holland Griffin's husband, Greg, traveled to Kirkuk in May 2003 with an AmeriCares airlift that transported 70,000 pounds of medical supplies and equipment. Upon his return, Greg shared via e-mail some incredibly moving photographs he took of the airlift operation as well as of doctors, patients and youngsters in four hospitals and an orphanage he visited. What an adventure! • On the other side of the world, I attended the 2003 DC and MD-area Newton Spring Tea in Bethesda on a spectacular Sunday afternoon. NCSH 1975 was well represented by attendees Peggy Brophy Jensen, Jane McCavitt, Pam McNaughton D'Ambrosio, Joan Pedersen, Sheila Reilly and Mary Stevens McDermott. This was a warm and soul-nurturing event. If you don't have a Newton tea tradition in your area, I encourage you to start one! • Classmates looking for classmates: I'm trying to obtain e-mail addresses or phone numbers for Peggy Lyons, Betsy Costello Forbes and Jane Rossetti. Please get in touch with me—people who care about you are trying to reach you! • Thanks to all who voted for me on this year's Alumni Association ballot. It wasn't meant to be, as the saying goes, but your support means a great deal to me just the same. • For all of our classmates: Please contact me with news of your summer travels to share with our readers. Also, I remain interested in sharing your memories of our days at NCSH, particularly our freshman year, in the columns leading up to our thirtieth reunion in 2005. (Perhaps these can be the genesis of a book of memories I compile for our class's enjoyment at that event? An idea to ponder during the cold winter ahead.) Wishing all of you a colorful autumn and blessed Thanksgiving ... "see" you in December!

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Greetings to the class of '77 from Nick Kydes, your class correspondent. This is my first opportunity to report information to you and to develop what I hope will be an interesting line of communication with our classmates. Before I begin with my correspondence, I would like to let you know what I'm currently doing. I got married on May 25, 1985, to Carol, a wonderful lady whom I've known since elementary school and who lived five houses from my home in Norwalk, CT, the town in which we still live. What's the old saying about the best things in life being in your own backyard? Well it's true, and I want to include BC in that statement too. In any event, I received my M.B.A. in 1988 from the University of Bridgeport, the same year that Carol and I had our daughter, Olympia, who is now 14 years old and a sophomore at Convent of the Sacred Heart of Greenwich, CT. We also have a son, Alexander, who is 5 years old and will be going to kindergarten this September. Going back as far as 1996, I was a senior manager of global procurement and IT outsourcing with

American Express in NYC. In 2000, I was at Merrill Lynch as a director, managing IT outsourcing and e-procurement projects. I'm currently a vice president of Computer Generated Solutions, a private international company located at 1675 Broadway and 52nd Street, NYC. All these references to NYC bring to mind the night in March 2003 when Gus Kalivas, Tim Miller and I met there for dinner. We had a blast reminiscing—with many of you in our thoughts-about our BC years. Didn't we all have a great time at BC, and don't you just miss those years? Gus, Tim and I are planning another dinner night in NYC this July and every month thereafter. We would like to invite anyone who works or lives in the area to join us by contacting me at my home e-mail address, nkydes4354@aol.com, and/or cell number, 203-829-9122. • Gus is a vice president with American Express Financial Advisors in Fairfield County, CT. He has been with the company for 19 years and is one of their top financial advisors, with an outstanding reputation in the industry. Gus, his wife, Maria, and sons, Christopher, 13, and Lee, 8, live in Weston, CT. Christopher attends Weston Middle, and Lee attends Weston Elementary. · Tim is a vice president with Wachovia Securities in Oceanside, NY. Tim, his wife, Peggy, their son, James, and daughters, Dorothy and Meghann, live in Oceanside, NY. Dorothy is a freshman at BC; James is a junior at Penn State, and Meghann is a sophomore at Oceanside High School. • Also with daughters attending BC are Gary O'Connor and Jim Green. Gary is a partner with the law firm Drubner, Hartley & O'Connor of Waterbury, CT. He lives in Waterbury with his wife, Pamela, daughter, Kate, who attends BC, and son, Don, who is a senior in high school. Gary and his firm specialize in class-action work and are currently representing the doctors in the HMO class-action suit that has been getting international media attention lately. Jim is also an attorney, with the Hartford, CT, firm Pepe & Havard. Jim is married to Ann McCarthy. They have two daughters, Julia, who attends BC, and Dierdra, and a son, Andrew. • Moving on from the Northeast to "mile-high" country is Ann Bersani. Let us congratulate Ann on her recent election as director, west of the Mississippi, of the BCAA board of directors. About two years ago, Ann and her husband, Michael Durkin, their sons, Timothy '07 and Brendan, and daughter, Kathleen, took the wagon train to Denver, CO. Ann got her degree in English and received an M.B.A.; however, she is "retired" from the paid work force and is devoting all her efforts in raising her children. Ann has been extremely active as treasurer of the BC Club of Colorado since 1999; a member of the BC Club of Atlanta (1989 to 1993), the BC Fides Society and the Mile High Down Syndrome Association; and a volunteer at Regis Jesuit High School, the Good Shepherd School, Christ the King and Denver Public Schools. Michael is the president of Mile High United Way of Denver, CO. He and Ann met and got married at BC. If anyone wants to contact Ann regarding BC member issues west of the Mississippi River, e-mail her at annbersani@cs.com. • We salute Steve DesJardins, who is a captain in and 24-year veteran of the U.S. Navy. He has recently reported to the Space and Electronic Warfare Systems Command in San Diego as the deputy program manager for the Advanced Tactical Data Link Program, which is responsible for about \$300 million dollars per year of defense

programs. He just finished a tour of duty as the surface operations officer for Carrier Group One. Although he was not in the Middle East for Operation Iraqi Freedom, he was responsible for training all of the Pacific Fleet aircraft carrier battle groups and spent three out of four months at the end of 2002 onboard the USS Constellation, the USS Carl Vinson and the USS Nimitz, training and certifying the ships, staffs and air wings to get them ready for deployment. Previously, Steve had command of the USS Elliot, a Spruance-class destroyer. Steve, his wife, Carla, and daughter, Madeline, 12, live in Rancho Penasquitos, CA, which is just north of San Diego. • Paula Hassam '78 is looking for a former roommate, Patricia (Nolan) Bowan. Patricia married Michael Ramirez '76. If you have any information about Patricia, please e-mail Paula at optometricprofsctr@juno.com. · I look forward to eventually hearing from all of you. I wish the best to you and your families, and may all good things find the path to your door.

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First of all, Ken Turner's nickname was nowhere near "Barney Rubble!" It was "Maha-Ro." No clue as to why I was thinking the former. But, Ken, it was so awesome to see you at the Heights for the big silver jubilee (even if the lighting at the after-party was so not to your liking!). What a terrific time! Leave it to me, Susan Orlando Liu and Lori Gronert Hudson to get a coed dorm suite with Eddie "Eddie O" O'Sullivan! Being in a dorm caused a 25-year regression in behavior, but it was such a blast. Seen and heard at the reunion: Kevin O'Malley, living near Needham with five kids and another on the way, moaning, "I'll be changing diapers into my fifties!" ... Bruce Fador, minus the puka beads, talking about his oldest graduating from Bates and a daughter to start her sophomore year at BC in the autumn ... Modmates Claudia Haertel Peterson, Ann Warren Lyons, Ellie Venturi Ellsworth, Maureen Glavin Grygiel, Joan Vanherwarde Smith and Maggie Mullen McElynn having a great time and looking toward the fiftieth (!) ... Jack Vaughn, a lawyer in NYC and father of three sons, hanging out with fellow roomie from the "Red House" Craig Gilmartin, yet another attorney ... Former BC women's soccer players Mary Catherine Green Leyden and Nancy Benz Bitter looking the same as they did in '78, if not better! Nancy and hubby Ward '77 have two kids at BC ... Paul Cronin, looking happy and healthy but not nearly as "disco" as his life-sized cut-out (which went to Kevin McLaughlin as a door prize, along with a BC t-shirt) ... Bob and Barbara Brennan MacLaverty discussing boarding school for one of their children ... Greg Rucki, recognizing Lori Gronert, and Peter Van Camp not doing the same! (Of course there was the "transformation.") ... Jim McGuire, now living in Boston, looking terrific and tossing out compliments ... Mike Elia and Charlie McCool lovin' life ... Barb Moriarty dancing up a storm to a Boz Scaggs tune ... Maureen Tichenor, a special-ed teacher out on the Cape, relaxing on the day of the reunion on a yacht hired by Rick McDonald and joined by buddies Paul Murphy, Rich O'Meara, Jack Stapleton, Bill McKiernan, Jay Pingeton, George Cornell, Ken Turner and Kevin McLaughlin (who did I forget to mention?) ... • I know that in the next column I will remember more about the reunion that is

escaping me right now. Rick McDonald wrote aprés the event, " ... so many faces to reconstruct in our minds, praying the names would pop out before we had to squint at the way-too-small names on those badges! Saturday night seemed to end before its time ... and then we slipped back into our lives once again ... And while you can never go back, you can always look back ... This is the gift of '78 we all gave each other: ourselves." Very well put, Rick. . Some people asked me to give a shout-out to classmates sort of "missing in action": Marianne O'Donnell, Mary Jane Sullivan and Lori Poveromo. • Two classmates who were unable to make the event e-mailed in updates: Al "Buns" Gallo writes that he was saddened to read about Michelle Rogers Culnane's death, as he was her classmate from grade school through BC. He is an RN for Beth Israel Medical Center in NY. Al has been married since three days before September 11 and reports that fellow Roncalli Penthouse survivors Vinny Allen, Jeff Garfunkel, Kelly "Mike" Elias, Stave Chong and Hank Bain '77, attended the nuptials. He and his wife, Nenet, were at the BC Bookstore on September 11! Al also says he is "very proud of Nick Burns." • Also writing in (at great length) was Randy McDonald, an executive vice president and CFO/treasurer at Ameritrade in Omaha, NE. In a nutshell, Randy reports that his older daughter graduated from the Heights in 2001, while his other daughter is currently at Holy Cross. His oldest son swam for Penn State, and his younger two sons are big into football in Omaha. He spent 22 years commuting from the Jersey shore to Manhattan, until Ameritrade called three years ago-"we are looking for the ocean!"-but says that he and his family still consider the shore "home" and will start looking for a retirement home there in the near future. He has stayed in touch with Bob Kirschner and Kevin Abt and has run into former classmates John Adams, Frank Kinney, Bob Mancini, Terry Belton and Joe Hayes. He writes, "BC was an unbelievable experience that helped prepare me for my career in two important ways ... academic and ethics." Randy says that "ethics is learned and lived, and the Jesuits are the best at this." • As mentioned, look for more reunion memories next time, and a big thank you to Jack Foley and his fellow reunion planners, Eileen Carney, Carolyn DiPesa, Joyce McSweeney, Jeanne Poirer, Beth Caruso, Shelia Doherty Finnerty, Kathy Messmore, Maureen Porter, Leigh Rossi Doukas, Susan Mullen and Joyce Gallagher Sullivan! • On a personal note, I would like to thank those classmates who kept my oldest, Blake, a corporal in the U.S. Marine Corps, in their prayers during the war. He came back to American soil on Memorial Day. · Please forward all of your memories and other mentionables before September 8. And in the words of Rick McDonald, remember: "It never ever ends!"

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Hi! Pat Farenga, writer and president of Holt Associates, lectures all over the country and is the father of three home-schooled daughters. He recently updated and expanded Teach Your Own: The John Holt Book of Home Schooling. Holt's philosophy of education and unique observations of parents teaching at home is combined with up-to-the-moment legal, financial and logistical advice. • Ann Schwoebel

Michael contacted me to get in touch with Barb Gould and included an update on her life. After BC, she went to graduate school and then spent 18 years at PNC Bank. She has been "retired" for four years now, deciding to let her husband "support" her! She wishes she had done it earlier, even though she does miss that paycheck. She rides her horse daily and spends time on the show circuit. • Tom Malone lives in MD, working as an anesthesiologist. However, he splits his time as a commercial pilot (his first love), and when the weather warms up, you'll probably find him in the air, flying a WWII fighter for one of the many air shows around the country. Keep an eye out, as he frequents many football and hockey games at BC during the season! • Len Holt and his wife, Debi, have three children, Jennifer, 17, Lenny Jr., 16, and Kenneth, 12. Jennifer has been accepted into BC's class of 2007. Len recently sold a business that he started as his junior marketing project at BC. After having up to 150 employees, he is now enjoying coaching and watching his kids participate in school and athletic events. Currently, he is building homes in Newton (to keep busy!) and, in fact, is building one at the base of Heartbreak Hill. He keeps in touch with Jude Kostas, John Tramontozzi and Julius Sciarra. They plan a summer get-together at Len's Cape house in Dennis, since it's his turn. · Speaking of get-togethers, our twenty-fifth is coming up next year. I wrote this before the summer began, and by the time you receive this, a planning committee should be starting to get together. Please contact the Alumni Association or me if you are interested. This is a big one for us!

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Hello, everyone. I'm looking forward to a great fall. We certainly deserve one. My apologies to Michael Voccola, whose submission I forgot to include in the last issue. He lives in Cranston, RI, with his 13-year-old son, Michael. After graduation, he served as vice president of Downing Corp. until 1985, when he started Cassidy Group, a small developer specializing in residential condominium developments. When the "crash" was taking place in the late '80s, he joined Janco, Inc., America's largest Burger King franchisee, located in RI. He then started, and continues to be instrumental in, Olympus Group Real Estate. In August 2001, he was selected to be director of business development for the Procaccianti Group, a major hotel ownership and operating company. He also graduated from Roger Williams School of Law in 1997. He currently serves as immediate past president of the Roger Williams Law Alumni Association. His work now involves "traffic management" of all the legal work for the Procaccianti Group, working as a liaison with retained counsel. Sounds like a busy 23 years for Michael. • Jim O'Keefe, John McCrudden (with his wife, Wanda) and Kent Kasica got together in April for what has become affectionately known as "Kent's Annual Darwinian Eco-Challenge." Two years ago, the Kasicas and the McCruddens went camping in the CO Rockies. Last year, Kent, who lives in Boulder with his wife, Joyce, organized an arduous (and often treacherous) hike down the North Rim of the Grand Canyon on the Nankoweap Trail with Jim, Mike Brennan '81 and Mike's son Connor. This year, the crew went on a 100-mile mountain biking trek in

Moab, UT, up and down the scenic canyons of the White Rim Trail. The ride was challenging at times, but the scenery was spectacular, and the company was great. Nevertheless, John has sworn off biking, and Jim has vowed never to share a tent with Kent again. Kasica had no comment, except to say that next year's trip will most likely be somewhere in the Himalayas. Jim, I might add, is an associate professor of mathematics at Lesley University. • Michael Murphy continues to enjoy life in the great Northwest with his wife, Julia Hagan, and daughters, Anne, 15, and Clare, 13. After two years in the Jesuit Volunteer Corps (Portland 1981-82 and Juneau 1982-83) Mike earned his M.S.W. at Portland State University in 1986. He completed a special-education teaching license in 1998 and has taught children with behavioral and emotional difficulties in the Gresham-Barlow School District for the past five years.

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Since my last column, I've received a more complete report from Bob Kelly. Bob has been at Camp Commando in Kuwait serving with the First Marine Expeditionary Force as the force movement control officer. Bob was ordered back to active duty on November 1, 2002, in support of Operation Enduring Freedom. He deployed to Kuwait in early January and has been over in that part of the world since then. Bob was recently selected for promotion to colonel in the U.S. Marine Corps Reserve (just having passed his twenty-second year in the corps). Bob reports that although combat operations are pretty much over, there is still a lot to do over there. Temperatures were hitting about 110 degrees at the time of his writing. Bob has been looking forward to heading back home to be with his wife, Shawn, and their two boys, Robert, 12, and Michael, 7. In his civilian life, Bob is the director of sales and marketing for the Pasha Group, Relocation Services. The Kellys live in Foothill Ranch, CA. . Dan Arkins has also been active with Operation Enduring Freedom in Iraq. Details are sketchy, but I hope to get more of an update on what Dan has been up to over there. · Jamie Dahill is still in Manhattan, working in the biotech industry and hoping to attend a few football games at the Heights this fall. You can contact Jamie at jdahill@nyc.rr.com. . Deirdre Wielgus is the chief operations officer for IPR International, LLC, a firm specializing in electronic data vaulting and recovery. IPR is located in PA and CA and services clients worldwide. Before joining IPR, Deirdre held several executive positions with SCT Corp.,

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Everything comes into perspective when you think about classmates like lieutenant commander Mike Cura, who recently received a bronze star for his efforts in Afghanistan. Mike is a SEAL in the U.S. Navy, and he led special operations forces behind enemy lines during Operation Enduring Freedom. How does he plan to celebrate such a noteworthy accomplishment? Not with a trip to Disneyworld but by taking his son, Conor, on a camping trip to NH this summer, where he hopes to catch up with Tony Giunta. Tony is the mayor of Franklin, NH, and when Mike is not defending America overseas, he lives in Norfolk, VA, with his wife, Maureen '84, and their two children. Thanks for being there for us all, Mike. • Speaking of America, Tim Fahey is living in one of our country's most beautiful locales, Maui, HI. Tim works at the Maui High Performance Computing Center as the manager of the user and technology services group. He has two sons, Chris and Nick. When he's not working, surfing or swimming, Tim has been learning to speak Japanese. Any '82ers looking for some recommendations on the best places to stay and eat on Maui are welcome to contact Tim at maui_brah@yahoo.com. I've decided that what this column needs is for me to conduct personal interviews of our classmates, so I'll force myself to go visit Tim first! • David Surprenant has been elected managing partner at the law firm Mirick O'Connell in Worcester. He is currently a partner in the firm's business department. Dave also serves as chair of the board of the United Way of Central Massachusetts and is a member of the board and executive committee of Catholic Charities. Brian Koscher has also been promoted recently. Ahlstrom's fiber composite division has welcomed Brian as its new director of marketing for meat-packaging products. He will assume the global sales and marketing responsibility for casing products. • If anyone from Murdock Terrace is wondering why you haven't heard from Maureen McKinnon Rego lately, it's because she's busy at home with her and Steven's seven children: Steven, Andrew, Michael, Mary Kate, Theresa and the one-year-old twins, Peter and John. The Rego family lives in a house—probably a big house in Little Compton, RI. • Not much else to report this time around. I hope to get some e-mails from you soon. How about a golden girl update from Melody Barrett?

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The following reunion update is courtesy of Jenny McGee: Our twentieth reunion has come and gone, with sell-out crowds for both our Friday and Saturday night events. It was great to see so many excited, enthusiastic people return

to catch up with old friends. Thanks to all of you who came and participated in the weekend's festivities. Hope to see even more people at the twenty-fifth! Thanks also to the alumni who paid their class dues. Annual dues are helpful in enhancing any event we have, especially during reunion years. So now that the coffers are low again, here's a reminder to pay your dues. Please forward \$25 to Class of '83, Boston College, Alumni House, 825 Centre Street, Newton, MA 02458. • We are also in the process of compiling an alumni e-mail list. Your e-mail address will allow us an easy, quick and inexpensive way to update you on events and activities. If you have not done so and would like to be included, please forward your e-mail address to infoserv@bc.edu. You can also e-mail updated addresses and telephone numbers. · We are going to have a class tailgate party at the Miami game. We reserved 75 tickets for our class. More information will be sent out soon! • John Kirby has started a new corporate art consulting firm, after 16 years as co-owner of another firm called Boston Corporate Art. The new organization is called Boston Art, and their mission is to serve the art purchasing needs of corporations, hospitals, hotels and residential settings. John studied painting at BC under Andy Tavarelli and John Steczynski, and his understanding of fine art from a practicing artist's point of view has gained him much success in the corporate community. John and his wife, Diane, have three children, Johnnie, 10, Elizabeth, 8, and Miles, 6, and they reside in Swampscott. John can be reached at john.kirby@bostonartinc.com and 617-951-0900. • Judy Kostka is the nurse manager for cancer services for Cape Cod Healthcare and has two children, Devin, 10, and Renee, 8. Judy is hoping to get in touch with Allison Shemitz, her former roommate, and she can be reached at jkostka@capecod.net. . Joseph King, Jr. accepted a position with the Yale University School of Medicine as associate professor of neurosurgery, director of the outcomes research for neurosurgery, and VA staff physician. He is married to Yale classmate Amy Justice and has two wonderful children, Daniel, 6, and Erin, 3. • Barb Bellis is excited to announce that she is now a state judge! Barb lives in Shelton, CT, with her husband, Steve, and their children, Michael, 14, Matthew, 12, and Lindsay, 10. Barb wasn't able to make the reunion but hopes to meet up with her former roommates, including Tina Weis Grant, Julie Barry Vozella, Liz Watts Murphy, Sally Shields and Nancy Elder Paciulli. · Let's keep this column robust! Please send your news to my e-mail address if you can: cindybocko@hotmail.com.

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REUNION YEAR

The contact information for the 1984 class correspondent in the spring issue was incorrect; the correct information appears above. We regret the error. -- Editor

I hope you're enjoying your summer. Here's the news I've received from classmates: On November 23, 2002, Sean Whalen married Sandra O'Neil in Marblehead at Our Lady Star of the Sea parish. Sean now has two stepchildren, Robert, 7, and Jack, 5. Sean and Sandra recently celebrated the birth of baby Samuel Joseph Whalen, born April 11, 2003. Currently employed by LoJack Corp., Sean has been with the company for six years and was promoted to sales director, national accounts and OEM, for LoJack's commercial division. Sean and family reside in Marblehead, and he writes that any alumni wishing to contact him may do so through e-mail at sjwhalen@lojack.com. · JohnCarpenter is living in suburban Detroit and writing for the New York Times. John recently published a series on organized crime. Recently, John joined Mike Rolfes and others for a reunion in Las Vegas. • Bob Sauro practices law and lives in Atlanta with his wife, Paula. • Chris DiSipio was named managing director at Chubb Corp. in NJ. He recently spoke at Lloyd's of London on "Managing Terrorism Risk." • Claudette Dufour Forczyk sends greetings from Laurel, MD. Claudette and her husband, Robert, celebrated the birth of their third child, Erik Dmitri, born October 18, 2002, and weighing 10 lbs., 6 oz. Claudette writes she enjoyed her maternity leave from Georgetown University Hospital and being a full-time mom at home. The baby was baptized last December 8 at Saint Mary of the Mills Church. Family and friends enjoyed the celebration. Claudette's daughter, Klarysa, is six and in the first grade at Saint Mary's School. She enjoys Brownie Girl Scouts, playing piano, swimming and ice skating. Son Andrei is four and a half and attends preschool three times a week at Resurrection Catholic School. Andrei also enjoys swimming and is eager to try skating. Claudette writes that Robert continues to work as a consultant and just passed the 11-year mark at Booz Allen Hamilton. Robert returned to the colors last September, as a lieutenant colonel in the U.S. Army Reserve, and is teaching command and general staff at Fort Detrick one weekend per month. For relaxation, he continues to read extensively in history and biography; he also enjoys painting toy soldiers and writing online book reviews for Amazon.com. • Kate Murray has been elected NY assemblywoman for the 19th District and the town clerk of the Township of Hempstead in Nassau County, Long Island, NY. Last January, Kate was named presiding supervisor of the town of Hempstead. Kate is a lifelong resident of Levittown and is the first woman to be named the chief executive of the Township of Hempstead. Prior to serving in the assembly, Kate, who is a lawyer, served as an assistant attorney general and was the deputy section chief of the Criminal Justice Section, while in the assembly, she chaired Task Force on Education Standards. Kate's family, including her dad, Norman ('50), her sister Anne ('89), also a lawyer, are proud of her accomplishments.

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Earlier this year, Mike Glynn, Tom Burke, Armand Doucette, Mikey Brennan '86 and his brother John met in Las Vegas to celebrate Mikey's fortieth birthday. They were there for three days, and, as they say in the commercials-what happens in Vegas stays in Vegas! Needless to say, they had a great time.

Some things/people just do not change! Their families even took them back after the trip! The trip was so good they decided they need to make it a biannual event; they agreed they could not do it annually for reasons not mentioned! Tom "Burkie" Burke is still in Los Angeles. He is presently working on a new show, Skins, which was picked up by Fox for this season. He is living large and embracing the CA lifestyle! Burkie still made it back to Boston for the fiftieth reunion for swan-boat drivers last fall in Newton. (Burkie drove swan boats while in college to help fund his BC lifestyle.) He often meets Rob Harkins and Don Stewart (and sometimes Ken and Wendy Roos from San Diego) for drinks at the Beach in L.A. • Drinks at the beach certainly sounds nice in comparison to the wet East Coast spring weather this year. Mikey Brennan is living in Scituate with his wife, Suzanne ('84), and their three boys, Thomas, 2, Patrick, 4, and Matthew, 6. Mikey is the entertainment director and idea guy. Armand Doucette is living in Newburyport with his wife, Cal, their son, Sean, 4, and daughter, Anna, 1. Armand is working at MIT's Sloan School of Management as associate director of IT. Mike Glynn is still in MD. He is an assistant state's attorney in Prince George's County. Mike and his wife are extremely busy with their kids, Mary and Mikey (the fourth!), ages 9 and 7, who are very active in Irish dancing, competitive soccer, baseball and football. • Gail Schrimmer and David Little announce the April 3, 2003, birth of their daughter, Bonnie Schrimmer Little. She joins her 2-year-old brother, Myles. Gail will continue her Chatham and Short Hill, NJ, private practices in clinical psychology, and David will continue to make chocolate. • Pam Risio Ferraro and her husband, Vinny, are thrilled to announce the birth of a son, Victor, who with his big sister, Sophia, makes their family complete. · Eileen Goerss Thornberry and her family moved to GA (in an Atlanta suburb somewhere) in late 2002, just as Lisa Hartunian Campbell left GA and relocated to San Francisco. Shelly Barillo McGillivray and Dan McGillivray also moved to CA, and the former roommates have gotten together a few times! • Dave Smalley and his wife, Caroline, are pleased to announce the arrival of their son Griffin Strummer Smalley, who was born on May 17, 2003. He is their second son and fourth child, joining Madeline, 8, Abigail, 6, and Colter, 2. Dave has finished up his second year as youth editor at the Free Lance-Star in VA, and he is still doing summer tours with his band, Down by Law. DBL just released its seventh album, called Windward Tides and Wayward Sails. Dave's wife, Caroline, is a graphic artist, whose current projects include being the art director for a very popular statewide parenting magazine. • In April 2003, Brian Hefele returned to the Heights after 18 years. Brian participated in the 107th running of the Boston Marathon, something he always wanted to do in college, but he was too busy enjoying the festivities on the other side of the ropes. Brian bumped into our famous classmate Doug Flutie along the way. Brian has been enjoying life in the Pacific Northwest while working for Merrill Lynch over the past eight years. Brian sends a hello to all his former classmates. • Bill and Mary Beth (Brobson) Gately had their third child, Matthew Thomas, on April 7, 2003. He joined his older brother,

Will, 4, and sister, Elizabeth, 2. Mary Beth works at the law firm Piper Rudnick LLP as a commercial litigation partner. • It really sounds like Mary Mahoney's wedding was a blast. Cindy Hockenhull McCahill also attended along with her husband, Kevin McCahill '80. Kevin and Cindy live in Overland Park, KS. They moved there in late 2002 from Seattle. They have three children, Matthew, 6, Jack, 4, and Julia, 1. Kevin works for GE at Employers Reinsurance Corp. in Overland Park, and Cindy is at home with the kids, having "retired" from CIBC Oppenheimer in NYC in 1999. Carolyn (McCahill) McKigney was also at Mary's wedding with her husband, Bryan. Cal lives in Pleasantville, NY, and has three children, Sean, 10, Jillian, 9, and Kevin, 7.

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Thanks to all of you who got in touch with me recently, I have lots of news to report! All of our best wishes and congratulations to my roommate, Karen Lynch, on her recent marriage. Karen and her husband, Paul, had a beautiful wedding on Memorial Day weekend on Long Island. They are now living on Long Island, where Karen is an attorney and Paul is in pharmaceutical sales. Many BC friends were there to celebrate. Kathy Parks Hoffman and Maureen Connaughton Apap were in from Bloomfield Hills, MI, where they both live. Kathy and Steve have three children, and Kathy is enrolled in the physician's assistant master's program at Mercy College, University of Detroit. Steve is with EMC Corp. Paul and Maureen have three kids, and Maureen is the coordinator for her parish's preschool religious education program. Donna Alcott Riordan was also with us for the festivities. She lives in Marshfield with her husband, Jack, and two sons, Jack and Colin. Donna is an attorney with the Plymouth County DA's office. Karen Meyers Nelligan was down from Albany, NY, where she is the Fox News anchorwoman. Mary Lou Burke Afonso flew in from Boston, leaving little Caroline with dad, Paul Afonso. Mary Lou is the VP, northeast region, for Bright Horizons Day Care Centers. It was wonderful to visit with Michael Grant, who was also at the wedding. He is the senior VP, sales and marketing, for USI Insurance in NYC. He divides his time between Manhasset, NY, and Southampton. We also had lots of time over the weekend to visit with other BC friends. I loved catching up with Jeanne Sprano Gambino, who lives in NJ with her husband, Greg, and two sons. Many thanks to Pete Caride and his wonderful wife, Diana ('89), who gave us the grand tour of Manhattan! Pete is a gastroenterologist with two offices in NJ. Diana and Pete have two kids, Sofia and Peter, and they live in Wycoff, NJ. Roberto "Gonzo" Gonzales and his wife, Valerie, were lots of fun to see. They live in Scarsdale, NY. Gonzo is a dentist with offices in NJ and Manhattan. They have two children, Corina and Max. Gonzo is the godfather to one of Billy Bishop's three kids. Billy and Allison live in New Rochelle with twin girls and a son, Billy, Jr. Billy owns three bars in NYC. Every best wish goes out to Steve Araujo and his wife, Chrissy, who live in Cortland Manor, NY, with their children, Courtney, Julia and Tyler (better known as Duke). Steve is in software sales. I loved seeing Soraya Assefi Rice, who is living in Chappaqua, NY, with her husband and two kids, Connor and Jenna. Nick DeMarco is married to Elaine Pussard '87 and is an entrepreneur living in Berkley Heights, NJ. The DeMarcos have three kids, Michael, Nicole and Samantha. Peter Caride is the godfather to one of Mike O'Mara's three kids! Mike and his wife, Angie '87, live in London, England, where Mike runs a hedge fund. Thanks again, to all who made the weekend so wonderful! • I heard from John Donnelly, an attorney who recently moved to London, England, with Charles Lee. I also had the pleasure of hearing from Anne Mackin, who was called back to active duty in January and served with the Combined Joint Task Force in Afghanistan. Anne is the chief logistics planner for the task force. She left behind her husband and two daughters, Caitlyne, 7 months, and Ashleigh, 4. Anne and her husband live in Bel Air, MD. Anne spent almost ten years in active duty, serving in Germany, TX and MD. She then entered the civilian world, worked in software systems engineering and received a master's degree in 1996 from Central Michigan University. Before being called up in January, she was working in Baltimore at ProObject, Inc., and worked extensively with the Dept. of Defense, the NSA and Defense Security Services. Anne, all of our prayers are with you as serve our country. Anne reports that Susan Dwyer Rahall is the VP of a medical technology firm and works in her spare time for BC football and basketball (men's and women's) as the primary stats keeper! She also let us know that Mary Bowker is a teacher in WY. I really enjoyed hearing from you, Anne, and would love to get updates periodically about how you are. Thanks to all who got in touch! Have a wonderful fall, and remember me on your Christmas card list!

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Hi! I hope that you are all well and have enjoyed a great summer. The football schedule for this year is great, especially with Notre Dame playing at BC, so I hope that you'll have a chance to catch a game. I heard from a few people in the past few months, and here's what they have to share. • Susan Shea Dvonch writes that she had a mini BC reunion in the High Sierras in mid-March with her dear friend Lisa Clarey Lawler '86, and her four-year BC roommate, Ingrid Van Zon Borwick. Lisa and her husband, Bruce, hosted Sue and her husband, Jeff, at their Kirkwood home for the weekend, and they were fortunate to have been able to time it with Ingrid's visit to her mom's Kirkwood home. Joining "Ingy" were her husband, John, and sons, Jackson, 8, and Hunter, 5, all hot-dog skiers! Ingrid and her family now live in Madison, WI, and Ingrid, who has her J.D., works as a career counselor in the University of Wisconsin Law School. Sue also recently heard from John Drew, who lives in Chelmsford with his wife, Lori, and 2-year-old son, Nicholas. John is working for Babcock Power in Worcester as a software trainer. Justin McCarthy recently started his own international marketing fulfillment firm in Long Beach, CA. His work has taken him on multiple occasions to find his McCarthy roots in Ireland! Justin, his wife, Bonnie, and sons, Dylan, 5, and Ethan, 2, live in

Long Beach, and Sue and her family see them often. Thanks, Sue, for the updates! • Susie McAleavy Sarlund writes that on October 15, 2002, she and her husband, Chas, welcomed a baby girl, Meghan Elizabeth. They recently moved back from MI to NJ, where she's staying at home with the baby and totally enjoying it. Lieutenant colonel Paul De Luca was activated on January 15, 2003, and belongs to the Mag-42 Headquarters at NAS Dobbins, Atlanta, GA, as a reserve operations officer. He is now serving with the Third Marine Air Wing, Marine Tactical Air Command Center, in Kuwait and is responsible for targeting and close air support of the ground forces in Iraq. He has been serving as a Harrier pilot, and prior to being activated, he was employed by Delta Air Lines as a flight instructor and a first officer on the MD-88 aircraft. He is married to the former Lisa DeLach and makes his home in Fayetteville, GA, with his two children, Joseph and Jessica. • Patience Hailey Shutts and her husband, Tony, are the busy parents of three young children, Natalie, 5, Jeremy, 3, and Andrew, 1. They have lived in Laguna Beach since 1996, where she is a full-time mother and would love to hear from any other Eagles in her neck of the woods. • Cara Francesconi Harding and her husband, Don, live in Barnstable and have a 4-year-old son, Devon. In addition to taking care of Devon, she practices law on a part-time basis. She'd love to hear from some of her college friends. • Joe Walter is still living in Waltham and is currently dividing his time between his new job as the executive vice president, supply management and athlete hydration, for the Boston Athletic Association and his fledgling kitchenremodeling business. Joe would love to hear from any classmates to catch up on old times at jpwalter@rcn.com. · Colleen McFadden Jason wrote that she is still living in MN with her husband and two children and is a stay-at-home mom. She's been busy running marathons, having just finished her tenth! She also added these updates: Margaret Blood Chinn and her husband, Bert, adopted a little girl, Helen Bernadette, in April. They are living in Westfield, NJ. Kristin Duff Schlageter, her husband, Bill ('90), and their three children moved to France last August for two years. · Chris O'Reilly and his family are moving in July to Chris's childhood home in Andover. Jane Trombley has completed three marathons, her latest being Boston this past spring. She and Colleen are planning on running the Chicago marathon together this October. Thanks, Colleen! • That's all for now. Thanks to everyone who took the time to write, and for those who didn't, please consider e-mailing me a quick update. Have a great fall!

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I would like to thank everyone who wrote in this time. Unlike the last few columns, we have a lot of news to report in this issue. If anyone sent me an update before June 1 and does not see it in this column, please send it again. I have

upgraded my computer and hope I didn't lose anything in the interim. • Rebecca Rooney is currently living in Austin, TX, where she works as a freelance writer and marketing-strategy consultant. • Muffy Pendergast and her paramour, Frank Bruckmann, welcomed sweet Marjorie "Jorgie" Francis Bruckmann on April 14, 2003, into their family of four, anchored by the spectacular two-and-a-half-year-old Arlo. Living in New Haven, CT, Muffy and Frank spend a lot of time traveling in their VW camper, painting landscapes and showing their work in art exhibitions. Contact them and view current paintings at http://home.earthlink.net/~fbruckmann/. • John Shay just started a new job as city manager for the city of Ludington, MI, which is a beautiful town on the shores of Lake Michigan. John and his wife, Carla, have two children, Bethany, 4, and Evan, 15 months. • Charlie Susi is proud to announce that he has left his Wall Street career as SVP at Instinet Corp. after 14 years and has launched an online gourmet gift business based in NYC. You can check out his Web site at www.gothambaskets.com. • Linda Robayo opened her own law firm in North Bergen, NJ, in November 2002. The firm specializes in family and real estate law. Linda recently had dinner with Paulo Pacheco and Rosemarie Stabile in Manhattan to send off Andrea Soccorso, who moved with her husband to Italy. • Sandy Torrens has been married to Antonio "Ate" Sifre since December 28, 1991. They have two children, Antonio, 9, and Sofia, 7. Ate is a corporate lawyer and now practices in his own law firm. Sandy was working as a clinical psychologist but is now an aerobic, kickboxing, spinning and Resist-A-Ball instructor and personal trainer. She would love to hear from Kristen Kenney, Sue Kelley, Diane Kmak, Brenda Sheridan and Kate Kieran. Russ Kenn and Michelle Coulon Kenn are living in her hometown of Hingham and will celebrate their sixth wedding anniversary in July. They have two children, Amanda, 3, and Drew, 9 months. Russ works at WBZ-4/UPN38-TV in Boston as executive producer of Red Sox programming, and Michelle has a pet-sitting business in Hingham. • In May, Jim McIntyre graduated with a Ph.D. in public policy from UMass, Boston. For the past several years, Jim has served as the budget director for the Boston Public Schools. He and his wife, Michelle, live with their two sons, James, 3, and Ryan, 1, in Boston. • Lisa Scalcione Dreitlein and her husband, Kace, had their first child, Mira Rose, on December 17, 2002. Lisa, who is currently staying at home with Mira, was formerly an assistant district attorney for Suffolk County. They are living in Watertown. • In September 2001, Heather Guerriero Dans married Shane Dans of London, Ontario. Kathleen Coyte Manley and Kim Dolce Doyle were proud bridesmaids. Heather is an account manager at Crest Uniform in Norwell and is still a huge BC men's hockey fan. She can be seen at most home games with pretzel in hand. Other BC alums who attended the wedding were Phil Devine '90, Joe Mega '90, Michelle Carlow and Yvonne Encamacao Blacker. John Farrell '90 was dearly missed! Heather and Shane joyfully welcomed their baby girl, Olivia, in December 2002. Olivia will be an Eagle in 2020! Class of 2024? In September 2002, Heather joined in

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the celebration as Kathleen Coyte married Michael Manley in South Weymouth on the day that is also the anniversary of both sets of their parents. Friends and relatives traveled from afar, including Michele McGillivray '85, who now lives in CA. Kathy and Michael met up with Amy Sullivan Thomson and her husband, Tim, one evening during their honeymoon. Amy and Tim live in Pittsfield. Kathy is a critical-care clinical nurse specialist and nurse educator in Tampa, FL.

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Colleen Driscoll married Sean O'Leary on March 22 at Saint Ignatius, with a lovely reception at the BC Club afterwards. In attendance were Rita Rodin, Mike "The Coach" Kavney, Minnie Tse, Nick Husni and me. Mike Kavney still lives in the Minneapple but is looking to move back East within the airline industry. Minnie and Nick have a son, Jared, born April 2002. They are both medical residents, living in Cambridge. • Brenda Hustis Gotanda and her husband, John, recently welcomed home their first child! They adopted a baby boy from South Korea. His name is William Kaeul Gotanda. Brenda will soon return to the practice of environmental law with Manko, Gold, Katcher & Fox, where she is a partner. · Patrice (Lombardo) Riela and her husband, Joe, announce the arrival of their daughter, Abigail Concetta Riela. Abigail was born January 1, 2003, and was welcomed home by her older brothers, Ben, 3, and Tommy, 2. Patrice and her family live in Westborough, having returned to Boston several years ago after a five-year stint in Manhattan. Besides being a mom, Patrice is a CPA and works in the field of business appraisal for Delphi Valuation Advisors, Inc. Patrice would love to hear from any BC friends at priela@charter.net. • Deirdre (Curry) Mewborn and her husband, Rick, welcomed their son, Tommy, into the world on February 8. He joins his big sister, Reilly; the Mewborn family lives in CO. • BJ Gerace reports that Jon Gieselman, who is married with two children in FL, was diagnosed with chronic myeloid leukemia and will most likely need a bone marrow transplant in the future. A bone marrow donation drive was held in June to encourage people to register in the national

database of potential donors known as the National Marrow Donor Program. Please keep Jon and his family in your prayers. • Stephen Hudson and his wife, Allison, had Connor James last year; he recently celebrated his first birthday! Stephen works for Fidelity Investments in Charlotte, NC, and received an M.B.A. from Wake Forest University. Stephen attended the official debut of the BC Club of Charlotte. • Marie Harrer and Carl Loesch welcomed their second son, Michael, last July. He joins his big brother, Conner, 3. Leila Nimatallah and her husband, John Hill, just had their second son as well. Jamie Ryan weighed in at 7 lbs., 10 oz. He joins his big brother, Matt, who is 3. Tammi Trovato Noe and her husband, Jeff, now have two beautiful girls, Mackenzie and Samantha. They live in Bakersfield, CA, where they see Amy (McMurtrey) Hurst, her husband, Dave, and their two children, Hannah, 2, and Griffin, 2 months. Tim and Elizabeth Gross Farrell were thrilled to welcome Mara Julianna on January 29, 2003. She joins her four-and-a-half-year-old big brother, Declan. · Jon-Paul Correira graduated from BC Law in 1993 and is currently employed in Providence, RI, as a special agent with the U.S. Department of Health & Human Services, Office of the Inspector General, where he mainly investigates Medicare fraud and deadbeat parents. Jon-Paul and his wife, Tracy, have a two-year-old daughter named Olivia Lee. They reside in Raynham. · Helen (Revis) Connor '97, and Brian Connor announce the birth of their daughter, Olivia Angela, who was born on April 8 in Boston. She weighed 8 lbs., 1 oz. . Dennis A. Finkel and his wife have had a busy year. In addition to Jacqueline Rose, 9, and Lindsey Marie, 6, came the trifecta, Lelia Kathleen, on January 31, 2003. They also moved from Melrose to Webster, where Dennis is currently general manager at the Central Massachusetts Auto Auction. · Maura Dobbins Payne and Michael have two girls, Erin, 2, and Ally, born January 20, 2003. They live in Needham, as do Cathy Burke Kenney, her husband, Bill, and their three kids, Hanna, 5, Tricia, 3, and Pierce, 2. Louise "Lulu" Kermond Coakly and her husband, Paul, live in Winchester and have Billy, 1, and baby Mary Lou, born December 2002. Ellen Donahoe Ferriera and her husband, Joe, also live in Winchester and have Scott, 3, and Karina, 1. · Carolyn O'Brien McCann and her husband, Mike, just renovated a home in Hingham; Carolyn works for Merck Pharmaceuticals. Chris McGinn married Dan McGlaughlin '87 on May 31 on the water in Warwick, RI, and Katie Arrends Kennedy, Renee Massett Murphy, Lulu Kermond Coakley, Ellen Donahoe Ferriera and Maura Dobbins Payne were bridesmaids. In attendance were Carolyn O'Brien McCann, Cathy Burke Kenney, Sara Molumphey Barrows, Cristine Kelly Thomson, Sue Griffin Flaherty and Tim Flaherty '87, Kim and Meade Reynolds '88, Courtney and Joe Peters '88, Alison Moser Birmingham, and Katie and Geoff Mackey. Katite and Geoff have four kids and live in WI. Renee Massett and Gary live in Greenwich, CT. where they are golf pros and have two children, Emily, 3, and Garrett, 2. Chrissy Buckland and her husband, Pete, have two kids. Katie Arrends Kennedy and Brian have three children, Brendan, James and baby Claire, born May 2003. • Frank Doogan wrote, "Please extend to all my classmates congratulations regarding

weddings, engagements and births. It is hard to believe that it has been 13 years. It really seems like it was only yesterday when we were all at BC. But just like campus, everything changes in

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I hope everyone is having a wonderful summer! Enjoy, and write in about your summer adventures! Please note the change in my e-mail address. If for some reason you don't see your news in this article, please feel free to forward it to me again. E-mail is being forwarded, but you never know! • Kristi Montei Coleman and her husband, Kevin, welcomed their son Steven Patrick on March 7. He joins his big brother, Michael, who is 4. The Colemans are enjoying life on Lake Gaston in Littleton, · Congratulations to Edward Fanning, Jr., who was named a partner in the firm McCarter and English, LLP, in Newark, NJ. • Congratulations to Debra (East) and James Villani on the birth of their first daughter, Heather Alessandra, on November 10, 2002. The Villanis live in Hopkinton and are both employed by EMC Corp. James is a senior program manager for EMC's Global Solutions Group, and Debra is a manager of sales planning for Global Sales Operations. • A special thanks to Julia Covino for writing in about the following classmates! Congratulations to Angela Siraco Menke and her husband, Martin, on the arrival of Christina and Matthias in April. They join their big sister, Sophia, who is now 2 years old. Congratulations to Lisa Dimidgian Dimeo and her husband, Anthony, on the birth of their son, Daniel Enrico. Phil Grondin is now living in Portland, ME, and has just purchased his third house. John DiBartolo is living in NYC and purchased his first apartment last spring. Cynthia Heaney is an attorney working and living in NJ. Congratulations to Scott Waggoner, who graduated with an M.B.A. from Columbia University. He is living and working in NYC. The deadline for the next class notes is September 8, so get those notes in!

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Shannon (Kilkenny) Holland, her husband, Chris, and son Michael, 3, welcomed a new addition, Timothy, on August 22, 2002. The family still lives in NJ, and Shannon is working as a pediatric nurse practitioner in pediatric hematology/oncology. • Katie and Chris Gildea had their first child, Gabriella Katherine, on January 27, 2003. She is a beautiful baby and a real blessing to her parents! • Jill Perry, director of the Cronin International Center at Bentley College, spent three weeks in Germany this spring on a Fulbright Scholar Program. • Karen O'Malley was elected partner at Goulston & Storrs. Karen's practice includes all aspects of commercial real estate law. She represents institutions, developers, real estate investment trusts, governmental agencies and nonprofits. Goulston & Storrs is an international law firm with 165 attorneys in offices in Boston, Washington, DC, and London. • Inquiring classmates would like to know what you have been up to. Send me a quick e-mail at

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We hope you all enjoyed the tenth reunion and were able to catch up with old friends and see familiar faces! I'm sure there is plenty of interesting news to share, so please do write, say hello and let us know what you've been up to! · Jennifer (Ference) Pacheco has been teaching kindergarten for nine years in CT and loves it. She married Michael E. Pacheco on August I, 1997. For Christmas in 1999 they received a lovely gift of moving into their newly built home in Stonington, CT. In March 2000, their son, Travis Anthony, was born. Jennifer is still very close to her senior roommates and friends (Nona McAteer, Lauren Jones, Nichole Liberati and Kate McGlaughlin) but unfortunately couldn't attend the reunion; she passes on lots of hugs and hellos! • Jennifer Lodowsky Buyak and her husband, Jeff, had a healthy baby boy on March 6. Jeffrey Robert, Jr., weighed 8 lbs., 10 oz., and was 21 inches long. The Buyak family currently lives in Walpole. • Dilip Paliath had been a prosecutor for four years before running for the State House of Delegates. Although he did not secure a position, he did well enough to catch the eye of the future governor. Now Dilip is a legislative officer serving as a lobbyist for the governor. • Ryan Hargreaves is in Miami with his wife, where they have a successful optometry practice (they are both optometrists). • Paul Le Gendre is in Copenhagen, and we hope he writes in to tell us what he's up to out there! · Gina (Suppelsa) Story had a beautiful baby daughter, Kaitlin Louise Story, on May 20. She weighed 7 lbs., 15 oz., with an unbelievable head of hair that could have put her in the Guinness book! • As for me, I moved to NYC in June for a new job at Grey Worldwide in account service. So, for those BC New Yorkers, please drop me an e-mail to say hello—I would love to hear from you! But more importantly, for our entire class, send me any bits of interesting news, anecdotes ... whatever ... to be included in the next publication! Hope to hear from you soon.

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REUNION YEAR

Hello, everyone. Welcome to the newest edition of our class notes. I was pleased to see that we outdid ourselves with the number of submissions last time. Thank you for all of your notes! Here we go ... Erin (Fracassa) Taylor and her husband, Jeff, live in Warwick, RI, and are expecting their first child. Erin is an elementary special-education teacher in Warwick, which is also her hometown. • Maura (Slayne) Ryan and her husband, Keith, welcomed a daughter, Clare Elizabeth, to their family on February 11, 2003. Clare joins her older brother, Justin, who is 2 years old. • Jennifer Azzara and her husband, Jake Murray, have a new addition to announce. Their son, Benjamin Michael, was born in July 2002. · Amy (Hutchins) Preveza and her husband, Craig, of Hopkinton, are thrilled to announce the birth of their second child, Celia

Mae, who was born in February 2003 at 9 lbs., 11 oz. Her big sister, Natalie Jane, will be 2 in September. • Kerri Anglin is the new copresident of the Boston College Club of Northern California. She was previously the secretary. She has lived in San Francisco for six years and made lots of BC friends there. Amanda (Koenig) Stone married Andrew Stone on October 9, 2002, in Maui, HI. The ceremony took place on a bluff overlooking the Pacific Ocean with 30 friends and family in attendance. Amanda and Andrew then spent a week honeymooning in Kauai, HI, before returning to their home on the Upper West Side of NYC. • Tim and Tracy (Donohue) Hunt of Ridgefield, CT, welcomed a baby boy, Connor, to their family in February. He joins his sister, Sara, who is 2. • All you Bostonian groupies take notice-Tom Leyden is off the market. Tom was married to Nicole Pezzola on May 10 in Mamaroneck, NY. Tom met Nicole when he worked at the NHL in NYC. Fellow Bostonian Tom Luzarraga was the best man, and many old Bostonians sang at the wedding. Tom is currently a sports anchor at WFMZ-TV in Allentown, PA. Tom and Nicole plan to live in NJ, as Nicole works for the Food Network in NYC. • Jeremy Ball just received his Ph.D. in African history from UCLA, after having received his M.A. from Yale in 1998. Jeremy will be a professor at Whitman College in WA beginning next fall. • How is this for brotherly love? Susan (Butare) Brown and her husband, Eric, were married in July 2002 in a double wedding with Eric's brother. They honeymooned in HI, the big island, and Maui. Eric, who is originally from Brooklyn, met Suzy in Tucson, AZ. Suzy reports that she and Eric have plans to start a family soon, but in the meantime, their orange tabby, Leo, and tuxedo cat, Prince, are their "boys" at home in Tucson. · That's all for this time around. Keep those notes coming, and start gearing up for our tenth (gulp) reunion!

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I am happy to report the goings-on of your classmates and tell you of all their exciting news ... but what about you? The last two columns have gone empty due to a lack of information. My address, e-mail and telephone information are above! Make a call, type a message or write a letter. I'm sure there are people who miss hearing about you! • Nina Jo Goodwin was born to Steve and Joli (Gatzen) Goodwin on Valentine's Day! She weighed 7 lbs., 13 oz., and is doing great. The Goodwins are living in Suffield, CT. • Charles Hurst recently dropped me an e-mail. He's been teaching elementary school in PA for the last three years as he works toward his PA principal certification. Just recently, Charles was named Pennsylvania State Nutrition Educator of the Year by the Pennsylvania School Food Service Association. Charles's e-mail is hurstcd@npenn.org. Drop him a line to congratulate him. Great job, Charles! • I received an update from Francesco Galli Zugaro (fqz@globatel.com). He and his wife, Birgit Brown, have been married five years and have two children, Daria, 2, and Massimo, 1. They are currently living in Quito, Ecuador. · Steve Riden J.D. '99 is an associate at the law

firm Epstein Becker & Green in Boston. He's been keeping true to cura personalis by acting as the president of a local nonprofit called the GIFT Foundation. You can see some of Steve's work at www.thegiftfoundation.org. You can also e-mail him at steveriden@yahoo.com • Jennifer Johnston married Bill Cocks in June at Georgetown Presbyterian Church in DC. Jen Loach was maid of honor, and Amy Waananen, Karen (Long) Larkin and Cristina Catenza '91 attended. Apparently, the pair was set up by Michael Melito, who read at the wedding. Also in attendance were Sue (Rogers) Reimer, Glen Larkin and Lashon Rhodes. Jenn is the director of marketing for FolioFN, Inc., an online brokerage firm. • Kevin McCarthy also updated me (finally). He married Susan Carrol in July in Cambridge. After honeymooning in Australia, they returned to make their home together in Somerville. Kevin is playing bass in a band called Gun Metal Gray and is working on material for a solo project. We'll be watching for you at the Grammys, Kevin! In attendance at the wedding was a whole list of memories: Jim McCarthy '90, best man; Brian Beaverstock, groomsman; Athena Rodriguez '96, bridesmaid; Kathleen McCarthy '96, bridesmaid; Derek Scanlon; Jay Robinson; Elaine Donnelly; Christian Bordick; Kate (Hagen) Halpin; Jean (Serra) Connolly; John Daley '96; Pamela Heffernan '96; Rob Ragasa '96; Alex Charalaimbides '96; Barbara Restaino '97; Jon Erario '98; Brad Donahue '98; Bob Burkhart '99; Rob Rioseco '87; Susan Bernstein M.S.W. '97. Whew. Also, Father Jim LaFontaine, who is currently at Saint Ignatius, gave the blessing at the reception. • On August 25, 2002, Michael Joseph Susann was born to Steve and Diana (Bannan) Susann. Steve continues to serve our country as an officer in the U.S. Army. Unfortunately, Steve wasn't able to make it home for the birth since he was deployed at the time. They currently live in Colorado Springs. • Patrick Devine announced the formation of his new law firm Gill, Devine & White, PC, with offices in Braintree, Boston and Hyannis. His practice is in real estate, commercial litigation and corporate law. He and his wife, Melissa, live with their son, Shea, in Walpole. . Keith McCluskey recently completed his master's degree in architecture from MIT and has started working at MIT in their Open Course Ware program (ocw.mit.edu). • Fill me in!

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So I show up for a softball game recently, and who should be playing right field for the opposing team (The Shirtless Dougs) but Travis Stewart. It's not really clear that Travis knew he was going to play, however, because he was wearing khakis, a white, v-neck t-shirt and sneakers. Anyway, my team won the nail-biter 15-14, and I had the pleasure of tagging Travis out at third. We caught up a bit after the game, and he says he's working in sales for the Golf Channel in Boston. • Daphne Smith married Matt Gaudette this past April in Atlanta. The wedding party included Mariessa Longo, Molly (Thillman) Smith (Daphne's sister-in-law and one-time Edmonds roommate) and Sam Smith (Molly's husband and Daphne's brother).

Guests included Rachel Clough and Scott Freeman; Crissy Callaghan and Andrew Fellingham; Kerri (Gallagher) Griggs and her husband, Jim; Julie (Allen) Holbrook and her husband, Josh; John Boyt; Loretta Shing; Suzanne Geden; John Dempsey; Megan Storz; and me. The most memorable entrance was made by Jim Roth, who showed up to the outdoor wedding 15 minutes late, with mud all over his suit pants. Oh, Jim. • Kim Galligan married Joe Cicala on April 12, 2002, in NJ. Caroline Allison was a bridesmaid, and Heather (Schofield) Brennan and Dave Dopf were readers. Kim writes that her "beautiful and healthy honeymoon baby," Kayleigh Elizabeth, was born on January 14, 2003. The Cicalas are living in NJ. • Sean Lynch married Margaret Dodd Buonanno in December 2002 in Newport, RI. Groomsmen included Brian Herlihy, Steven Migliero and Tim Ryan. Also in attendance were Hope (McAndrew) Rupley, Ali Loper and Erinn Skeffington ("good friends of Margaret's who were instrumental in getting us together," Sean writes); Brian Campbell; Scott Tower; Jay Zavislak; Matt CampoBasso; Alvin Crocco; Jamie Cesarano; Katie El-Hillow and Kelly (Ciampi) Wigren. • My neighbor from the Mods Lisa Wadlin married Ed Fruscella at Saint Ignatius on November 2, 2002. The ceremony was performed by Michael McFarland, SJ, who taught at BC during our time there but is now president of Holy Cross (poor guy). Pam Zorn J.D. '98, Stephanie (Schepis) Knight, Liz (Gentile) Bonacci and Diane Galiano were bridesmaids. BC groomsmen included Mike Bianco '97 and Kevin Cronin '97. Rebecca (Cyr) Fayed attended with her husband, Ramy Fayed, and did a lovely reading. Guests included Paula (Sobral) and Rem Pearlman; Nicci (Filiault) Gazaille and her husband, Jeff; Frank Colagiovanni; Shannon (Bradley) Walent; Katie (Mulligan) Huha; Joe Janezic; Scott Adams; Cara (Furio) Laudati '98, and her husband, Mike; Steve Braid '00; Lisa Lovas '97; Sara Hathaway '95; Erin Dionne '97; Bill '95 and Bonnie (Kozel) Dougherty '95. Ed and Lisa live in the Boston area. She is a financial analyst at Fidelity Investments, and Ed manages a performance-measurement group at RussellMellon Analytical Services. • Lisa writes that all of the old roommates are doing very well. Nicci and Jeff welcomed a new baby girl into their family in December—beautiful Gabrielle "Gabby" Napua was born on December 26. Diane moved to Houston after graduating from Suffolk Law School and is an attorney with Customs and Border Protection under the Department of Homeland Security. Paula and Rem, both law school graduates themselves

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(Rem is a double Eagle), are living in Newton. They will celebrate their seventh wedding anniversary this year and are expecting a baby. Stephanie married her husband, Jon, two years ago on Long Island and is working as an oncology nurse at Connecticut Children's Medical Center. Rebecca and Ramy settled in the DC area after graduating from George Washington Law School. They were married at Disney's Wedding Pavilion and Grand Floridian in October of 2001. • Cheryl Weber married Scott Redmond in September of 2001, and she writes that they are happily settled in Richmond, VA, where Cheryl is employed as an RN in the surgical/trauma intensive care unit at the Medical College of Virginia. The Redmonds welcomed their first child, Anastasia Scott, on November 19, 2002. • Cheryl writes that her roommates have "mostly married:" Kara Cassesse wed Keith Davis in June 2000, and they live near Guilford, CT, where Kara teaches high school. Kelley Adams married John Sponheimer in June 2001. They live in NJ, and Kelley is working on her master's degree in education. Kristin Markowski married Daan Goedkoop in June 2003. She received her nurse practitioner's degree from University of Virginia, where she met Daan, and they are currently happily settled in Beacon Hill. Sue Biggs married her high school sweetheart, Brian Poncin, in July 2001, and they are living in Denver, CO. Bill Weber married Elizabeth Houlihan in October of 2000, and they reside in Walpole. Bill works with his dad and younger brother in the family's electrical-contracting company. They have a daughter, Emily Elizabeth, who was born in July 2002. Finally, Cheryl writes that Erin Lawler is working for a law firm in Cherry Hill, NJ. • BC graduates Kristen McClanaghan and Chris Kardos are currently living in Brooklyn, NY. Chris works for Straticom International, and Kristen is a Spanish teacher as well as a graduate student at NYU. Kristen also writes that she and Chris attended the wedding of Ali Porter and Chris Marques last June in ME. Many BC alumni attended, among them Maureen Raguso (with her husband, Jim, and daughter, Maggie), Ingrid Ramos and Susan Reeves. Ali and Chris are living in Natick.

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Thanks to all for attending our five-year reunion! I really enjoyed seeing so many of you. I hope you all had a great time as well. Most of us arrived on Friday night, with long drives, delayed planes, missed planes, but somehow we all found our way to Citysides, MaryAnn's, the Kells and second-floor Walsh. The Saturday night party, despite the rain, was fabulous. The food, the decorations, the DJ and the class of '98 made it a very enjoyable and memorable evening. Many thanks to the reunion committee for planning such a great event! Please continue to send me your updates—I have not heard from so many of you, and through all the conversations I had during our reunion weekend I know all of you are doing great things. • Kathryn Edison had a summer internship with Endeavor, a nonprofit organization with operations in Latin America. Endeavor promotes private-sector wealth creation in developing countries as a means to stimulate overall economic growth in the region. The firm provides education and support services to established local entrepreneurs. She worked in Santiago, Chile, at a small packaging firm that manufactures and sells lids to the food and beverage industries. • Barbara Santoro married Neal Kimball on May 3, 2003. The ceremony was held at Saint Ignatius Church. BC friends in attendance were Jim Savage, Colleen (O'Brien) Kas, Eva Terzopoulos, Carl Ackerman, Mary Au, Alex McShane and Hannah Glover. Barbara is currently an editor at Longman Publishers in NYC. Neal is a consultant for KBACE Technologies, an HRMS and financial consulting firm. • Jason Marcella and Lindsay Hayes were married in Concord on January 19, 2003. Erin Hayes O'Brien 'oo was the maid of honor. Rebecca (Slade) MacDonald, Kristin Pugh, Jennifer Sheehan and Laura Waterhouse were in the wedding party. Other BC 1998 alums in attendance were Jason Micks, Melinda Metz, Stephanie Galeota, Gretel Twombly, Keri Rourke and Bill and Kerianne (Barbour) Maloney. Jason and Lindsay live in Alexandria, VA. Jason is the senior art director at an advertising agency, and Lindsay is finishing up her Ph.D. and working as a speechwriter in the U.S. Senate. • Brendon Ryan was involved in cheerleading for a few years at BC, and after some time in the software field he decided it was time to get back to doing what he loves, which is performing. He is currently appearing in the Boston production of Stomp, and he was recently hired for the 2003-04 season to be an assistant coach for the New England Patriots cheerleaders. • Charise Rohm has been a legal assistant at Morrison & Foerster for the past nine months and is still enjoying living in San Francisco, where she has been for almost three years. • Alison Curd has just finished her first year of business school at Kellogg, the business school of Northwestern University. She will be spending her summer internship at Eli Lilly in corporate finance. At the end of the summer, she and five other friends led a group of 15 incoming first-year business school students on a week-long outdoor adventure trip to Costa Rica, where they zip-lined through the rain forest and hiked the Arenal volcano. • Andrew Reilly married another Eagle, Kelley Forbes '99, M.S.W. '00) in June 2000, and they currently live in Oak Harbor, WA, on Whidbey Island (about 80 miles north of Seattle). Andrew is in the U.S. Navy and currently flies EA-6B Prowlers as an electronic countermeasures officer. • On May 11,

2003, Suzanne Carroll and Terrance Woodard were married at Fordham University in the Bronx. In the wedding party were Stephen Carroll '93 and John Dejesus. Also in attendance from the class of '98 were Cheri Bari, Shack Chew, Barthelmey Jacques, Elsie Lai, Jeffrey Parris, Ann Roach and Catherine Steel. Suzanne and Terrance honeymooned in the south of France, and upon their return relocated from NY to Miami. Suzanne, who is finishing her Ph.D. in clinical psychology, will be on internship with the Miami-Dade County Department of Human Services, while Terrance has joined the bankruptcy and restructuring group at the law firm Bilzin, Sumberg, Baena, Price & Axelrod. • Kristin O'Shea joined the firm Spaulding & Slye Colliers as an associate in the brokerage group. She will specialize in the leasing of commercial real estate in greater Boston. She lives in Boston with her husband, Tim.

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REUNION YEAR

Hello, class of '99; I hope this column finds you all well. Our thoughts and support go out to all those brave men and women who have been serving overseas. I want to bring special attention to one of our classmates, Chris Shore, who recently contacted me to say, "Though I can't say exactly where I am, I can say that I have spent the last three months participating in Operation Enduring Freedom. I am a logistics officer in the U.S. Marine Corps, and this is my first duty station. Trial by fire, as they say. My unit was never close to ground fighting, but we have traveled in some crazy places with some shady characters." I know I speak for everyone when I say that we wish Chris and everyone else serving overseas a safe and quick return home. • Following graduation, Ann-Marie Koss went to graduate school at Johns Hopkins University in Baltimore, MD, where she earned an M.S. degree in organic chemistry. She then worked in Washington, DC, at a publicpolicy shop/think-tank, researching advanced technologies. She decided to move on and spent some time at the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office, where she was a patent examiner. Last August, she moved from DC to NY and is currently a science advisor in the intellectual-property litigation practice group for the NYC office of the law firm Goodwin Procter. She consults on chemistry, medical, pharmacological and intellectual-property law matters in litigation cases for her company's pharmaceutical company clients. Wow! · Christian Baird is currently living in Sitka, AK, and working as a Jesuit volunteer. After three years working for Philip Morris in Boston (with Karen Tsacalis and Cathy Tucker) he decided to call it quits and make a change in his life. Christian is case manager for mentally ill adults in Sitka, AK. He writes, "The job is tough and trying at times, but I've made it through three-quarters of the year." He spent April 10 to April 13, 2003, in Juneau, AK, for Folk Festival, where he ran into Steve Greco. Christian also wanted to congratulate Tim Bilecki and John Duggan, his two roommates who recently got married, Tim,

in October 2002 and John in December 2002. · Jay Das wrote in to say that he just graduated from medical school and is beginning his residency in internal medicine at USC this summer, where he is planning on specializing in cardiology. • Antoine Kinch 'or has been living in CA since graduation. He spent some time working for Silicon Graphics before trying things out at a start-up. After surviving the dot-com burst, he joined Apple Computer in 2001 and has been there ever since. Antoine is working as a video software engineer in the QuickTime group. He also has a three-year-old son named Amari Kenroy Kinch who was born in Boston on March 19, 2000. The attending nurse was a BC grad! And if that isn't enough, Antoine started his own entertainment company called Jouvay.com in 2001. The company organizes and throws parties all over the country (New York, San Fran, Oakland, Toronto, DC, Miami, L.A., etc.); check it out. · After graduating as an English major, Meg Durante completed a two-year premedical program at Harvard. In August, she left longtime roommates Mary Kay Carr, Melissa Morabito and Erin Hannon to enter Penn State College of Medicine. • Sarah Martin is working as a research assistant at Indiana University Center for Bioethics. • Christina Zampardi lives in Stamford, CT, and works for GE Capital. · Deirdre Grode lives in Hoboken, NJ, and teaches at a charter school. • Rick Rhim is finishing up medical school at NYU and heading to Chicago for his residency beginning this summer. • Emily Hogan lives and works in NYC. She works for ING Investments. • Tara Bradley married John Atwood (Georgetown Univ. '98) on August 9, 2002, in the U.S. Virgin Islands. The couple traveled to Anguilla for their honeymoon and are presently living and working in NYC. • Priscilla Cole married Andre Gilbert in August of 2002 in Hanover, NH. A contingent of fellow BC grads from the class of '99 helped the couple celebrate the momentous occasion. In attendance were Jeanine Gabriele, Megan Keddy, Bridget Majeski, Bill Atwood, Roger Squire, Maia Misura and Katie Wickham. Scilla and Andre are now living in Montpelier, VT. • Margot Danzig and Joseph Medved got married on September 28, 2002, in East Hampton, NY. They honeymooned in HI and currently live in NYC. Joe is an investmentbanking associate in the media group at JP Morgan, and Margot is an assistant vice president in marketing at Banc of America Securities. BC alums in attendance at the wedding included best man Jeff Gaulin, maid of honor Eliza Russell '00, groomsman David Morin, Deirdre Birnstiel, Marguerite Colton, Sara Farnan, Elizabeth LaFalce, Trisha Weiss, Julie Moxon, Jessica Nielsen, Katherine Skirius, Edward Dombrowski, Sharon Rossi, Salvatore Costagliola, Mark Broehm and Todd DeBlois. • Emily Warrender married Dominic Giovannazzo (Xavier Univ. '99) on November 9, 2002, in Newport, RI. Classmates in the wedding included Timothy Anderson, Fernando Silva and Daniel Rystrom. Also in attendance at the wedding was Erik Bator. Emily is a manager for Lord & Taylor. • Thank you for all of your notes, and please keep the e-mails coming. I look forward to hearing from more of you.

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Hello, members of the class of 2000! Thank you for all of the great e-mails and notes that I have received over the last several months. Let's get right to them. Ron Thompson ran the Boston Marathon in April to raise money for the Shrewsbury Special Needs Athletics Program. Congrats to Ron on completing his second marathon. • Nadia Lehmejian also e-mailed me recently to let us know that she is now working for Epicor Software Corp., a software company based in Irvine, CA. She is the new senior online marketing specialist for the manufacturingsolutions group and is based in Minneapolis, MN. • Congratulations also need to be extended to Chris Girard, who was recently named editor in chief of the Western New England Law Review in Springfield, MA, for the upcoming academic year. • Mariana "Maud" Elias received a master's of public administration from NYU in May. Maud is currently working for a nonprofit organization specializing in affordable housing in NYC. Jared Leland received a J.D. degree from the Catholic University of America Columbus School of Law in May 2003. Jared and his wife, Erin Freyvogel Leland, reside in Alexandria, VA, where Jared is currently preparing for the PA bar examination. • Also recently receiving his law degree was John DiBari. After attending Saint John's University, John will be working for a law firm in New York City. . And now on to the weddings. Ryan Sullivan and Mercedes Del Valle Prieto were married on February 8, 2003, in Acapulco, Mexico, the bride's hometown. Celebrating in the week-long festivities were fellow classmates and other recent alumni Kris Brewer, Darryll Coates, Keith Green, Kate Hanlon, Adam Hughes, Lukas Rohr, Mark Sieczkowski, Jamie Walson, Barbara Privrel, Trevor Shaughnessey, Chris Farady '01, Kiren Fernando 'oı and Angela Niznick 'oı. The happy couple now lives in Washington, DC, after a honeymoon to Tahiti. • Eduardo Misan and Juliana Loberto were married on March 27, 2003, in Bronxville, NY. Fellow classmates in attendance included Takayuki Hayano, Wei Lai, Dianne Liu, Thu-Kim Nguyen, Ken Peng and Sunil Wadhwa. • Jason Maloney and Erin Nicholson were married at the Duke University Chapel on April 5, 2003. Jason's brother, Adam Maloney '05, served as a groomsman. Also in attendance were Catalina Azuero, Paul Berens, Kim Cosgrove, Adam Henley, Chris Moran, Sarah Davis '99 and Patrick Mahoney '01. The newlyweds now live in Syracuse, NY. • Ashley Miller was married to Dan Kalosieh '97 in CT on May 17, 2003. Fellow BC alumni present included Nicole Aurillo Lacz, Emily Long, Dan Garry, Jill Opulski, Dan Lacz '99, Mark Francetic '97, James Nevin '97 and Dara White '97. Ashley graduated from UConn with a master's degree in speech-language pathology in May 2002 and has been working as a speech-language pathologist in Basking Ridge. The happy couple now resides in Whippany, NJ. Finally, Ned and Meghan McLaughlin Zelles are proud to announce the birth of their daughter, Margaret Elizabeth. Maggie was born on Oct 7, 2002. She weighed 8 lbs. and was 19 inches long. Ned and Meghan report that Maggie is

looking forward to her first BC tailgate this fall. The couple was married on May 26, 2001. As always, thanks again for all the great notes and e-mails. Keep me updated with all the exciting events in your lives.

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Hello to all of you! Congratulations on completing your first year after graduation. I am sure that many of you have settled into new jobs, have completed a year of graduate work or have been traveling. We would enjoy hearing from you about what you have been doing over the past year. It was wonderful seeing many of you at Tia's on the Waterfront on June 14. I know that many of us got the chance to see classmates who have moved back into the Boston area and also those of you who traveled to be there. I wish you all a safe and relaxing summer. If you have any personal news that you would like included in these notes, please keep in touch!

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John E. Joyce '61, M.B.A. '70 has been selected as the recipient of the 2003 William V. McKenney Award, the highest honor the Alumni Association bestows on its alumni. The entire School of Management is invited to join in honoring his achievements at the award ceremony and reception to be held at 7 P.M. on Thursday, September 25, 2003, at Robsham Theater, Main Campus. For more information please visit www.bc.edu/alumniawards or call 800-669-8430 to reserve space at the event. -Editor

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The in-town college was well represented at the celebration of their golden anniversary. Those in attendance included Joanne Westwater, RGS, '53; Christine Buckley '53; Ann Dacey Foley '53 and her husband, Jack; Mary Dacey McLaughlin '53 and her husband, Jack; Matthew Flaherty '53 and his wife, Marie; Leo Gannon '53 and his wife, Bridget; John Hoell '53 and his wife, Millie; Marian Ruggles Anderson '53; and Julia Hurley McCarthy '53 and her husband, Bill. I understand that there were many activities planned and two of the many highlights included the Golden Eagle pin reception and the dinner dance on Saturday evening. I inquired as to why the in-town college always has a good representation at alumni events, and the response received was: "most of our teachers were Jesuits, and we were blest academically and spiritually as the Spirit of God was among us during our college experience." • Joanne

Westwater, RGS '53 was the recipient of an award given to her by the Graduate School of Social Work in April. Sister was instrumental in beginning Maria Droste Services, a nonprofit agency which is located on Adams Street in Quincy. The agency provides multiple counseling services for a nominal fee and has been a benefit to the community of Quincy as well as surrounding areas. • Annette Dietel '63 and Eleanor Murphy '63 report that they began their anniversary celebration by attending the Heights Overture in McElroy Commons and BC Night at the Pops, and on May 31, they enjoyed a lecture given by Father Leahy and the Mass celebrated by Father Leahy, which was followed by dinner. They had an excellent time. • Kathleen Tully '71 has been enjoying her last two years of retirement after 21 years of teaching for the Hingham Public Schools and eight years of teaching at Boston College Campus School. Kathy has been doing some traveling and has kept herself busy through her volunteer work at Holy Cross Retreat House-Stonehill where she assists with My Brother's Keeper and Mat Talbot Retreats. • Bob Anzenberger '72 has been teaching at BC and UMass Boston. Currently, Bob is working on his Ph.D. at Northeastern University in law and public policy. It was great seeing you again, Bob, and good luck in writing your dissertation. • Don Maloney '80 has been working in real estate for Maloney Properties. Recently, Don has applied to the master's programs in pastoral ministry at Boston College and St. John's Seminary and hopes to pursue a master's degree on a full-time basis in the fall. Good luck, Don. • I met Bruce Browning '95 and his wife, Jann Browning, at the WCAS reunion on June 19. Bruce expressed his gratitude to Father Woods, who was extremely helpful in assisting him with a course of study when he returned to Boston College after a long hiatus, which made it possible for him to achieve a lifetime goal. You are to be commended Bruce for your perseverance. • Anna Bartolini '02 has been accepted to the Graduate School of Social Work and is hoping to be accepted at the Law School. Congratulations, Anna, and good luck. • Irene Brannelli '02 and her husband, Ray, had a wonderful time at Pops. • Our 2003 reunion was a great success. Again, the in-town college was well represented, and we, the officers and directors, were pleased with the number of people in attendance and would ask that you spread the word to increase the turn-out for 2004. We all enjoyed hearing from the executive director of the Alumni Association, Grace Cotter Regan '82 and from our beloved dean, Father Woods. A good time was had by all. Happy summer!

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at Robsham Theater, Main Campus. For more information please visit www.bc.edu/alumniawards or call 800-669-8430 to reserve space at the event.—Editor

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Martha Jurchak Ph.D. '96 gave the keynote address, "Nursing, Staffing and Ethics: Fight, Flight or Flow" at the spring convention of the Massachusetts Association of Registered Nurses. Martha is assistant director of ethics service at Brigham and Women's Hospital. • Margaret "Meg" Carson Ph.D. '91 was selected to give the keynote address at the thirty-seventh biennial convention of Sigma Theta Tau International in Toronto. • Paul Arnstein Ph.D. '97 has been elected president of the American Society of Pain Management Nurses. • Suzanne Beyea Ph.D. '91 has been appointed director of nursing research at Dartmouth-Hitchcock Medical Center in Lebanon, NH • Suzanne Campbell A.S.C. '99 is on the faculty at Fairfield University. She practices one day per week at Breastfeeding Resources, in Stratford, CT. She is also featured in the book 101 Careers in Nursing. · Nancy Gaden M.S. '87 has been appointed assistant vice president of patient-care services

at Saint Elizabeth's Hospital in Brighton. · Carolyn Corliss Padovano Ph.D. '94 has relocated to the Washington, DC, area, taking the director of clinical informatics position for the health practice area of Integic Corp., located in Chantilly, VA. • Rosemary Theroux M.S. '86 a faculty member at UMass, Lowell, received the Reviewer of the Year Award from the Journal of Obstetric, Gynecological and Neonatal Nursing.

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It has been my pleasure to receive several updates from alumni in the last year. Please continue to send your news and updated information, especially e-mail addresses, so we can keep you connected to the school. The alumni career services committee continues to work with students to help them network with alumni. As the job market changes, the students need more help in networking. If you would be willing to talk to graduating students about the profession, please e-mail doucettl@bc.edu. We hope to hear from you soon. • Sandra Catto M.S.W. '99 married Louis DeSousa. Sandra is now the program director for the Empowering Families for Success Program in New Bedford. · Amy Murray M.S.W. 'or passed away on April 16. Amy was completing her dual degree in pastoral ministry. Amy was selected by her peers at graduation to speak for the COPPA concentration. Everyone who knew Amy was impressed by her deep commitment to social work ethics. In recognition of her efforts, Amy was selected as one of six Boston Neighborhood Fellows to receive a three-year, \$25,000 grant. This program honors volunteers, professionals, community organizers and other individuals who have displayed leadership qualities while helping to improve the lives of those around them. Amy was a critical thinker in the best possible way. Her dedication to the profession will be sorely missed. • Joseph G. Verla M.S.W. '81 is currently working in an administrative capacity at the Dept. of Defense's training facility in Southbridge. His eldest son now attends BC as an undergraduate. • Mildred Zanditon M.S.W. '69, of Brookline, who worked with local, state and federal agencies to find housing for deinstitutionalized psychiatric patients, died in April at Beth Israel Deaconess Medical Center. She was 86 years old and was known as a feisty advocate for the mentally ill. We will miss her.

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Robert J. Muldoon '60, M.A. '61, LL.B. '65 has been selected as the recipient of the 2003 Alumni Achievement Award for Law. James A. Champy I.D. '68 has been selected as the recipient of the 2003 Alumni Achievement Award for Commerce. All graduates of the Law School are invited to join in honoring their achievements at the award ceremony and reception to be held at 7 P.M. on Thursday, September 25, 2003, at Robsham Theater, Main Campus. For more information please visit www.bc.edu/alumniawards or call 800-669-8430 to reserve space at the event. • Class Notes for Law School alumni are published in the BC Law Magazine. Please forward all submissions to Vicki Sanders at the above address. —Editor

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Coming Fall 2003



ALUMNI ASSOCIATION

CLUB NOTES

Dear Friends,

As the summer winds down, the Alumni Association is gearing up for another fruitful and exciting year. I am proud to announce that the plans for our expanding team that I mentioned in the last issue of Club Notes have been implemented, with the addition of two new assistant directors in the clubs program. Lori Pio and Tory Watchko have joined Leigh-Ann Woodcock, and they will work closely with me and the club committee of our board as we reshape our approach and launch a national initiative in the coming months.

Lori comes to us from the University of Massachusetts, Amherst, where she served as assistant director of athletic development. Tory arrives from the Massachusetts Democratic Party, where she held the position of director of fundraising. They have already had the opportunity to meet with many of you, and we all look forward to a positive collaboration that will ultimately strengthen the alumni network throughout the world.

In this spirit, I offer the Association's thanks to our leaders for continued efforts in coordinating world-class events that reconnect our alumni to alma mater. I would like to recognize, specifically, R. Michael Wirin '89 and Mike Galano '00, president and treasurer, respectively, of the New York club, for their involvement in the eighth annual New York Sports Night, held at the Yale Club in New York City. This year's honoree and recipient of the annual William J. Flynn Award of Excellence was Jerry York '67, M.Ed. '70, head coach of the men's ice hockey team. Coach York was honored for his hard work on behalf of and dedication to BC athletics and for his many successful seasons as head hockey coach. He was joined at the ceremony by his wife, Bobbie, and daughter, Laura. This event is one of the highlights of the year and provides area alumni with a wonderful opportunity to interact with fellow Eagles.

Additional thanks go out to Ken Pierce '79, president of the Maine club, Lisa King '81, president of the Rhode Island club, and Gene Mahoney '57, a member of the Cape Cod club for organizing successful golf outings. All three outings were great achievements for the clubs and brought together a great group of enthusiastic alumni from the respective areas. Finally, I would like to announce the formation of our most recent steering committee, in Westchester County, New York. Led by Steve Prostano '79, this group has a lot of enthusiasm and energy, and we anticipate it will be an integral part of the club network for years to come.

I look forward to discussing the upcoming transition with many of you and encourage you to contact me directly with any questions and comments you may have at jack.moynihan@bc.edu or at 617-552-4700.

We hope to see you at FanFest prior to the Eagles' season opener against Wake Forest on August 30, fresh from a restful summer and ready for the thrill of another year at Boston College.

Go Eagles!

Jack Moynihan
Senior Associate Director

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YAWKEY WAY

New campus sports facility coming soon

Boston College soon will break ground for a new athletics center that will greatly enhance intercollegiate, intramural, and club sports, thanks to a \$15 million commitment from the Yawkey Foundation.

The cost of the new facility, to be called the Yawkey Athletics Center, will total approximately \$26 million and will be funded through private gifts. Construction is scheduled to begin after the last home football game this fall.

John L. Harrington '57, executive director and trustee of the Yawkey Foundation, stated, "The project will enable the University to provide more equitable facility use among all student athletes and to

strengthen and better integrate its athletics and academic support systems. Mrs. Yawkey had a long history of supporting intercollegiate athletics and forged a longtime relationship with Boston College. During her lifetime, Mrs. Yawkey made significant charitable contributions to the school for athletic scholarships and had many close friendships with former Boston College athletes, many of whom joined the Red Sox organization, including Joe Morgan, Ed Pellagrini, and Mike Roarke."

The new facility will be attached to the north side of Alumni Stadium. It will house the varsity football program, the Office of Learning

and a large function area for general University use, freeing up critically needed space in Conte Forum for women's athletics and other men's teams.

Yawkey Foundation I was established in 1976 by Thomas A. Yawkey, and Yawkey Foundation II was established in the early 1980s by Jean R. Yawkey to further serve the family's charitable goals. Since the deaths of the Yawkeys, the foundations' boards of trustees have continued the Yawkeys' legacy, contributing to organizations large and small that share the foundations' charitable objectives, including conservation, education, social services, health care, arts and culture, and amateur sports.

Resources for Student Athletes,

LEADER TO LEADER—Held every spring for members of the Fides, President's Circle, and Gasson giving societies, the Boston College Leadership Forum always draws a crowd. This year, featured speaker Jack Connors '63, chairman and CEO of Hill, Holliday, Connors, Cosmopulos, addressed a packed room at the Boston Harbor Hotel on April 16, sharing accounts of his career, his education, and the University's growth. Connors, who is chairman of the Boston College Board of Trustees, was introduced by Ann Riley Finck '66, who chairs the Fides giving society and served as master of ceremonies for the Leadership Forum. University President William P. Leahy, SJ, was on hand as well to welcome guests.



ON THE ROAD

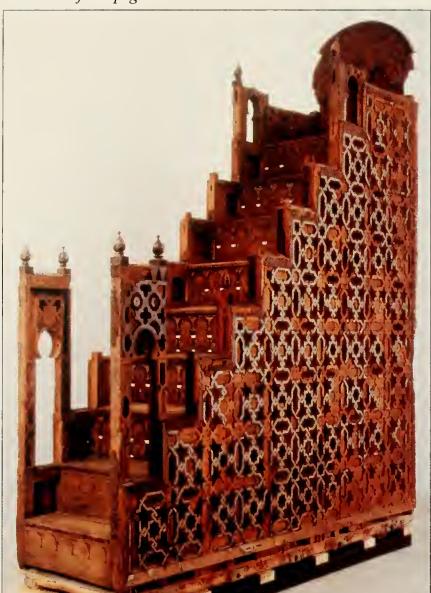
As part of a continuing series of "Conversations with the President," held with BC alumni and parents around the country, Boston College President William P. Leahy, SJ, spoke on the University's progress and recent undertakings at the Benjamin Hotel in New York City on June 18. Some 70 alumni and parents were in attendance. Leahy will hold another conversation on November 7, in Boston.

TEE-TIME

Members of the Boston College Wall Street Council will convene their second annual Wall Street Council Open on Monday, September 29, at the Winged Foot Golf Club in Mamaroneck, New York. For more information, call Peggy McCorkle, (617) 552-1055, or e-mail mccorkle@bc.edu

SEPTEMBER FAVORITES

Two popular annual events are fast approaching. Parents' Weekend 2003 will be Friday, September 26, through Sunday, September 28. At the same time, on Friday, September 26, the 11th annual Pops on the Heights Scholarship Gala will feature conductor Keith Lockhart leading the Boston Esplanade Orchestra and the Boston College Chorale. For more information on the concert, go to the Web site www.bc.edu/pops. For questions about Parents' Weekend, call the Parents' Weekend Hotline at (866) 237-1120, or visit www.bc.edu/parentsweekend



in three different mosques in Marrakesh; two were destroyed after claims that they did not point exactly toward Mecca. It was finally transferred to a new mosque that came to be known as the Kutubiyya (Booksellers') Mosque because of the dozens of bookshops that surrounded it. There the minbar stood until the 1960s, when it was moved to the city's Badi Palace Museum.

SOUND DEVICE

Muhammad's contemporaries understood the divine revelation to be an oral text. God's first instruction to the Prophet begins, "Recite in the name of thy Lord." The Arabic word qur'an, from which we derive our English word Koran, stems from the root meaning "to recite or read aloud." But either during the Prophet's lifetime or soon after his death in 632, Muslims began to transcribe the revelations. Thousands of early parchment fragments survive, but as with the example at right, not a single one bears any indica-

Left: the Kutubiyya minbar, minus some of its 1.3 million pieces

tion of date or place.

The page we've chosen is from a dispersed manuscript penned in a brown ink prepared from gallnuts and ferrous compounds on parchment made from sheepskin. It contains the last two verses of chapter 38 ("It is nothing but a reminder unto all beings, and you shall surely know its tiding after a while") and the beginning of chapter 39 ("In the name of God, the Merciful, the Compassionate. The sending down of the [Book is from God, the All-mighty, the All-wise]"). As a complete Koran, this manuscript would have filled several thousand pages, and been comparable in length to the entire Gospels.

Arabic is not easy to read. Unlike Greek, Latin, Hebrew, Russian, and English, it is rendered only in "cursive" formwith many, though not all, letters connected. Arabic letters change their shape depending on their position in a word: The same letter can have one form when it stands alone, another at the beginning of a word, another in the middle, and yet another at the end. Breaks can occur just as easily within as between words, and early writers such as the scribe who composed this page did not distinguish between the two kinds of spaces.

Furthermore, Arabic script imperfectly represents the spoken word. The language has 28 distinct sounds, but the script uses only 18 characters to represent them. From an early date, extra strokes were sometimes used to differentiate sounds sharing the same letter shapes, but Koranic calligraphers—particularly in the first centuries of Islam-often deemed these marks superfluous. Lastly, Arabic script, like Hebrew, records only the three long vowels, leaving it to the reader to interpolate the three short vowels, silences, and case endings from the context. Some calligraphers, like the artist of this page, used systems of colored dots above and below the letters to indicate the



unwritten sounds.

All of these peculiarities, which make reading extremely difficult and slow, indicate that early Arabic texts like this one were primarily memory aids, meant for the use of a public reader who had already memorized the text.

CLOSE ENCOUNTERS

Pictures of Muhammad are extremely rare in Islamic art. The image on page 32, portraying the birth of the Prophet, comes from an illustrated copy of the *Compendium of*

Below: ninth-century folio from a Koran, North Africa or Near East

Chronicles, a four-volume history of the world's peoples compiled in the early 14th century by Rashid al-Din, vizier to the Ilkhans, the Mongol rulers of Iran. The Ilkhans, who had only recently converted to Islam, were descended from Genghis Khan and were cousins to the Mongol dynasties ruling in China, Central Asia, and southern Russia. Together they brought much of Asia under a *Pax Mongolica*.

Rashid al-Din was an Iranian Jewish convert to Islam who had started his career as court physician. In his account, begun at the sultan's request, he relates the histories of the Mongols, Turks, Chinese, Franks, Jews, Indians, and Muslims. As part of a pious bequest, he stipulated that scribes were to produce Persian and Arabic copies of his works each year, for distribution in the major cities of the Ilkhanid realm.





Above: "The Birth of the Prophet," from Jami' al-Tawarikh (Compendium of Chronicles), 1307

The depiction above is from one of the few surviving Arabic copies produced in his lifetime. The Ilkhans seem not to have shared their fellow Muslims' inhibitions about representing the Prophet. Indeed, the manuscript is remarkable for its profusion of illustrations, which include portrayals of the biblical prophets Jonah and Noah, as well as Chinese emperors and Muslim heroes.

The idea for the birth scene probably came from illustrations of the Nativity in Christian art, since the birth of the Prophet has no theological significance for Muslims—Muhammad was human, not divine. Modeled perhaps on a Byzantine panel-painting, the broad, strip-like image is divided into three parts. The center shows the infant Muhammad cradled by two angels while his resting mother is attended by midwives. In the right-hand compartment sits an aged figure with a staff—the Prophet's uncle, Abu Talib, standing in for the figure of Joseph. At left, three women are posed together—echoes of the Magi in Christian Nativity scenes—and a

fourth stands huddled over a stick. None of these supporting characters figures prominently in the vizier's text, which concerns the exact date of the Prophet's birth.

The artist's technique, in which line drawing is heightened with colored washes, derives from Chinese painting, and came to Iran with the Mongols. In this seminal manuscript, disparate artistic elements of East, West, and Middle East cohabit somewhat uneasily. Within a few years, however, Iranian artists would develop an original style, as if—one contemporary chronicler noted—a "veil was lifted from the face of Persian painting."

NEW WAVE

Islamic art is often thought to have ended during the 19th century, as European-manufactured imports replaced local craft goods in centers of Islamic culture. In the 20th century, Western culture came to dominate intellectual and artistic life in the nations that emerged in North Africa, the Middle East, and South Asia following the collapse of colonialism. Artists responded to these changes in many differ-



ent ways, some aping Western traditions wholesale, others repeating old formulas endlessly. The most successful developed styles that combined indigenous and foreign artistic traditions. One of the first to do so was the Iranian sculptor, Parviz Tanavoli.

Born in Tehran in 1937, Tanavoli became in 1956 the first student to graduate from the new program in sculpture established in the College of Fine Arts at Tehran University. He then studied in Italy and was a visiting artist at the Minneapolis School of Art. After returning to Tehran in 1964, he became connected with the Saggakhane art movement, named for the public water fountains found in many communities. Providing water is considered a very pious act, particularly among the Shia. The saqqakhana (literally, the water-carrier's house) can be a little building or niche in a wall, or even just a shelf containing a tap or fountain or jug, usually set behind an iron grille. Passersby can not only quench their thirst but also ask for fulfillment of pious requests after leaving a small votive gift—often a padlock signifying a binding vow. The

movement's members used Iranian folk art themes—locks attached to grilles, for example—as inspiration for their work, which they typically executed in Western-inspired media, such as collage, oil paint on canvas, and cast bronze. Tanavoli has worked in a range of materials, from bronze, copper, brass, and scrap metal to clay, and in a range of sizes, from finger rings to large public sculptures.

Tanavoli's most famous theme is the sculptural representation of the Persian word *heech*, meaning "nothing" and spelled with the three letters *heh*, *yeh*, and *cheh*. In one of his most popular versions of this theme, the word is set like a crouching cat on a chair-like support, whose latticed back recalls the grille of the *saqqakhana*. The cat's head is comprised of the initial letter *heh*, known in Persian as the "*heh* of two eyes" because of its two loops. The letter *yeh* comprises the cat's neck, and the letter *cheh*, its body and tail. The word thus becomes a complex visual pun, appearing to represent something but saying "nothing."

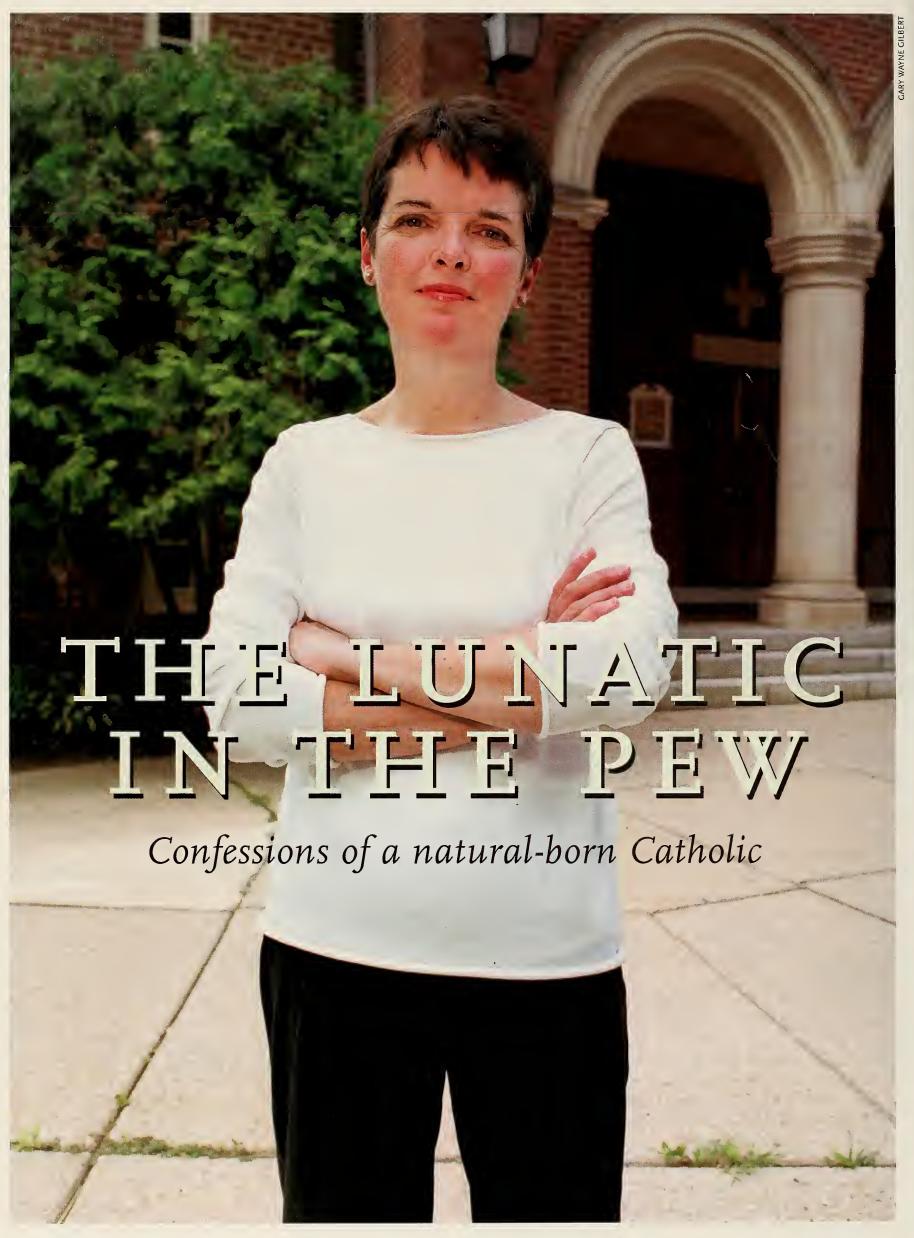
Sculpture is relatively uncommon in Islamic art because

of the longstanding prohibition against idolatry. But it was an important art form in Iran for centuries before the Muslim conquest in the seventh century, when the Persian language came to be written in Arabic script. Tanavoli has combined in cast bronze the traditional Iranian love of figural sculpture with not only the Islamic reverence for the written word but also a 20th-century taste for abstract art.

Jointly written by professors Blair and Bloom, both Islam: A Thousand Years of Power and Faith (2000) and The Art and Architecture of Islam: 1250–1800 (1994) are available at a discount from the BC Bookstore, via the BCM Web site, www.bc.edu/bcm. So too is Jonathan Bloom's Paper Before Print: The History and Impact of Paper in the Islamic World (2001). An excerpt of the latter, which has garnered numerous academic book awards, appeared in the Spring 2002 issue of BCM.



Right. Parviz Tanavoli's Heech and Chair'll, 1973



By Alice McDermott

Catholic, my first thoughts on the topic are guilt ridden, my first impulse, confessional. I'm not a very good Catholic. I started skipping Mass as a teenager, as soon as my older brother got

his driver's license and my other brother and I could pile into his car for what we would tell our just-returning-from-the-10-o'clock parents was noon Mass, and then make a quick, hour-long detour to Dunkin' Donuts. What we complained about in those days was the Church's hypocrisy, its trivial rituals and petty obsessions, stuff we thought no one else had ever noticed.

Through college, I went to Mass only on occasion and even then simply because the Newman Center at my state college had a funny priest whose sermons were pre-Seinfeld standup routines about the foibles and the excesses of campus life. I became in my twenties what my father used to refer to as an A&P Catholic—one of those Catholics who only stop into church when they need something, or run out of something. I got regular and somewhat steady about churchgoing when my children were born, telling my skeptical and permanently apostate friends and family (my brothers among them) that I was giving my kids Catholicism in order to inoculate them against the Moonies and the Hare Krishnas, the occasional pair of Mormons at the front door; that I was giving myself the advantage of knowing something about the religion against which, I was certain, my children would eventually rebel.

When it came time for our first child to begin school, we dutifully bought a house in a neighborhood with an excellent public school system, and it was only after we learned that our son would have a lengthy kindergarten commute because the local school was being renovated that my husband, a Methodist, suggested we look at the nearby Catholic school. On the day we were to meet with the principal, I arrived a few minutes early and took my own private tour. It was all too familiar: the uniforms, the orderly rows of desks, the crucifixes and holy water fonts and carefully colored cutouts of little lambs and big-eyed shepherd children. The Catholic school smell, which most especially brought back the terror and the tyranny of my own Catholic grammar school, where we were 50 or 60 to a classroom and Sr. Edwina stalked the place like a long-robed Captain Bligh. I was nearly hyperventilating as I met my husband at the principal's door, prepared to say, "Let's run, let's get out of here. We can't perpetuate the madness," when he, grinning, informed me that he had also arrived a little early and had made his own tour, counterclockwise to my own. "I love this place," he said, before I had a chance to object. "The uniforms, the order, the religious symbols. We can't send him anywhere else."

Even now, I confess, my involvement in the daily life of the Church is minimal: school-related activities, check-writing, a meal or two for the homeless. I'll occasionally miss Sunday Mass out of laziness, or busyness, or be deterred by the prospect of sitting through yet another sermon full of halfhearted platitudes.

Even now, as I find myself expounding on a topic such as this—being Catholic—I imagine the Dominicans who taught me in grammar school or the Josephites who taught me in high school rolling their eyes or, as the case may be, rolling in their graves. I hear my no-longer-practicing Catholic friends and family, who have shared my irreverence and cynicism and disappointment, ask with utter disbelief, "Who is lecturing whom about what?"

Of course, my excuse for such hubris—my license to preach—is that while developing into a mediocre Catholic I have also, simultaneously, it seems, become a Catholic novelist. Or at least that's what I've been called. To be honest confessional—the term makes me feel somewhat like the narrator in the O. Henry story "Man About Town." He's an inquisitive young man who spends the day seeking "enlightenment concerning the character known as A Man About Town." He asks a reporter, a bartender, a Salvation Army girl, and finally a critic, whose definition inspires him to spend the rest of the night raking New York "from the Battery to Little Coney Island" to find an authentic Man About Town. As he begins his search, he steps off a curb, is hit by a car, and wakes the next morning in the hospital, where a young doctor shows him the newspaper report of his accident. The article closes with the lines, "His injuries were not serious. He appeared to be a typical Man About Town."

In my own attempt to seek enlightenment concerning the character known as the Catholic novelist, I have time and again come to no more definitive conclusion than that I seem to be one. It strikes me as a rather pallid qualification, for both a preacher and a novelist. As a reader sunk a hundred or two hundred pages into a work of fiction, the thought that I am reading a Catholic novel serves as neither lifeline nor anchor—if the novel's good, I float, if it's bad, I don't. Nor would the promise of a "Catholic" novel get me to open a book in the first place.

That my novels have what Flannery O'Connor referred to as a "Catholic decor" is true enough. My characters, for the most part, are Roman Catholics, born Catholic, raised Catholic. Churchgoers, members of a church community, they know the lives of the saints, the niceties of the sacraments, the rules, the rituals. To borrow from O'Connor, that most Catholic of Catholic novelists, they know so thor-

Left: the author in front of her parish church in suburban Maryland

oughly what they believe, they don't have to think about it.

They believe in the Incarnation, the Trinity, the communion of saints, the resurrection of the body and life everlasting. Their faith is genetic, cultural, blood-borne, and as such it is cause for neither fanaticism nor zealotry, crisis nor grief. It is, like language itself, a way of ordering the world, expressing emotion, communicating need. It is, forever, their first language.

These Catholics may be the subjects of much of my fiction, but their Catholicism is not. As a fiction writer, I am not interested in conversion, transubstantiation, the mystical body of Christ, the infallibility of the pope, Aquinas, or Augustine. My novels have a "Catholic decor" not because I have anything original to say about Catholicism but because I know it, because it is my first spiritual language as well, and also because—more pertinent—with the religious lives of my characters firmly established, I can try to understand what lies beneath: what is, in some way, pre-religious, the first impulse, the initial yearning, the earliest, embryonic indication of the substance of things hoped for.

I don't write about Catholics because of my own faith, lackluster yet persistent, but because by doing so I hope to discover—percolating up out of all the assurances (authentic or not) that the Church, the life of Christ, provides—what it is that sparks the need for faith in the first place.

Time and again I have discovered that for my own characters, at least, that need is founded in a simple, stubborn, unrelenting refusal to be comforted.

W.B. Yeats posed the question:

But is there any comfort to be found? Man is in love and loves what vanishes, What more is there to say?

And Billy, in my novel *Charming Billy*, soaked in both alcohol and the Irish poet himself, paraphrased the question in the language of his faith:

"Death is a terrible thing," Billy said. "Our Lord knew it. Our Lord knew it was terrible. Why would He have shed His own blood if death wasn't terrible?" There was another pause, another sip of whiskey. "You know what makes a mockery of the Crucifixion?" Billy said. "You know what makes it pointless? Anyone saying that death is just an ordinary thing, an ordinary part of life. It happens, you reconcile yourself, you go on. . . . It's a pact with the devil," he said. "To be reconciled. Our Lord spilling His every drop of blood on the cross to show us death is terrible, a terrible injustice, and all the while we're telling ourselves that it's not so bad, after all. You get over it. You get used to it. . . . Life goes on pleasantly enough no matter who dies."

An alcoholic, a pregnant teenager, an aging and ornery

Irish woman, a flock of would-be writers, a beautiful girl—all characters in my fictional world who refuse to be reconciled to the death of those they love, to the past that contains such loss, or to the future that will deliver it. Who stand stubbornly against the inevitable, argue vehemently against the irrefutable, remain outraged over the unchangeable, undeniable fact that man is in love and loves what vanishes. Unacceptable, they cry, these characters of mine, in their cups, in their old age, in the certainty of their youth. The death of the people we love is unacceptable.

I don't claim any originality for them in this. Their stubborn refusal to accept the inevitable is nothing new in literature—is, often enough, literature's very reason for being. Two examples come immediately to mind. Here's Edna St.

Vincent Millay, in "Dirge Without Music":

I am not resigned to the shutting away of loving hearts in the hard ground.

So it is, and so it will be, for so it has been, time out of mind: Into the darkness they go, the wise and the lovely. Crowned With lilies and with laurel they go; but I am not resigned.

Or García Lorca, in "Lament for the Death of a Bullfighter":

Because your death is forever
Like everyone else's who ever died on Earth,
like all dead bodies discarded
on rubbish heaps with mongrel's corpses.
But no one knows you. No one. But I sing you—
sing your profile and your grace, for later on.

Outraged, unreasonable, obsessed—as any lunatic, lover, or poet must be—my Catholic characters carry in their blood the promises of their faith, carry on their tongues the tenets of their Church, and yet still their spirits rebel against time, against loss, unreconciled, refusing to be resigned.

"I wanted to banish," my lovely teenager says in *Child of My Heart*,

every parable, every song, every story ever told, even by me, about children who never returned. . . . I wanted them scribbled over, torn up. Start over again. Draw a world where it simply doesn't happen, a world of only color, no form. Out of my head and more to my liking: a kingdom by the sea, eternal summer, a brush of fairy wings and all dark things banished, age, cruelty, pain, poor dogs, dead cats, harried parents, lonely children, all the coming griefs, all the sentimental, maudlin tales fashioned out of the death of children.

If death is forever, the unwed mother in *That Night* reasons, then love is meaningless.

Faced with the death of those they love, these characters of

mine don't seek some vague afterlife. What they seek, what they demand, against all reason, is the return of the loved one in all his or her familiarity, "the profile and the grace," as Lorca called it, "the answers quick and keen, the honest look," in Millay's poem. My characters, my fictional Catholics, understand the Church's promise of eternal life, but nevertheless find it lacking. For what they really want is life returned to them, the world returned to them, in all its magnificence and love and heartbreaking detail. Life uncompromised by death, death utterly defeated. Anything less is unacceptable.

It is a mad, unreasonable demand, of course, but it is also, it seems to me, the primitive impulse that makes faith necessary. It is the mad, unreasonable demand—and promise—made by Christ himself.

When Jesus tells Martha, "Your brother will rise," she replies as any one of us pretty-good-to-middling Catholics might, as one well trained in the language of faith should: "I know he will rise," she replies, "in the resurrection on the last day." If ever a false Messiah had an out, here it was. Jesus had only to tell her, Right you are, you get an A. What he does instead, mad prophet, is to refuse such easy comfort. He becomes, John tells us, troubled, deeply per-

cult characters, an alcoholic, a griping old woman, one sullen teenager and another amoral one who would remake the world to her own liking. But as we face the Church of the 21st century, my hope is that we non-fictional Catholics regain the courage to be difficult, rebellious, mad, the courage to refuse to be comforted. That we refuse to be comforted by the familiar, by the way we've always done things (priests in charge, laity ushering, women running bake sales). That we refuse to be comforted by our own self-satisfied eloquence about the dignity of unborn life while political or practical imperatives silence our objections to the destruction of life in the ghetto or in the death chamber. That we refuse to be comforted by our good, prosperous lives, by the careful picking and choosing of what words of Christ's we will take to heart.

My hope for the Church, for us, is that we recall the adolescent rebellion that seems a part of most of our biographies as Catholics, recall our youthful dissatisfactions and objections (whether we voiced them in Dunkin' Donuts or in our permanent disassociation from the Church) and speak them again. Or, if that adolescent rebellion seems too distant to recall, then my hope is that each of us becomes

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turbed. He weeps. "See how he loved him," the onlookers say. And then Jesus calls Lazarus from the grave. Jesus restores what has vanished, returns Lazarus to life, to his sisters, returns not the soul or the spirit, the memory or the ghost, but the man himself, the profile and the grace, the honest look, the laughter, the love: and proves to us that death is not forever.

In his own refusal to be reconciled, Jesus makes possible our impossible hopes, confirms our own, primitive rebellion against that terrible thing that is the death of those we love. And reminds us—or should remind us, if we can just shake ourselves from the numbing familiarity of the tenets of our Church, the platitudes, the rote rituals, and the petty obsessions—that ours is a mad, rebellious faith, one that flies in the face of all reason, all evidence, all sensible injunctions to be comforted, to be comfortable. A faith that rejects every timid impulse to accept the fact that life goes on pleasantly enough despite all that vanishes, despite death itself.

WHAT I have to say about being Catholic, then, is simply this: Being Catholic is an act of rebellion. A mad, stubborn, outrageous, nonsensical refusal to be comforted by anything less than the glorious impossible of the resurrection of the body and life everlasting.

In my own fiction, I have linked this crazy faith to diffi-

the garrulous drunk in the congregation, the loud-mouthed, inappropriate, indiscreet psycho who cries foul over hypocrisy and deception and illogic and cliché, refusing to accept the easy comfort of assurances that the hierarchy will fix itself, that Jesus doesn't want women to be priests, that it is acceptable for Catholics to acquiesce to a politically defensible but morally unjust war.

At the heart of our beliefs, at the heart of our faith, lies the outrageous conviction that love redeems us, Christ redeems us, even from death. Following this wild proposition, this fulfillment of our most primitive yearnings, every other outrageous thing we expect or demand of ourselves and our Church—honesty, charity, goodness, forgiveness, peace—surely must begin to seem reasonable, even easy. Every other challenge the 21st century brings should seem—even to the likes of us not so great Catholics—simple enough: a benefit, no doubt, of the simple grace of being Catholic.

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PASSING E

BY JAMES M. O'TOOLE

BLACK IN THE SOUTH, IRISH IN THE NORTH, THE HEALYS SLIPPED THE BONDS OF RACE IN CIVIL WAR AMERICA

When Michael Morris Healy and Eliza Clark entered into a common-law union in 1829, they violated perhaps the most powerful taboo of 19th-century America: marriage between persons of different races. Healy was a white planter in Jones County, Georgia; Clark was an African-American slave. American society was horrified by a union such as theirs, and by the attendant prospect of offspring, because of the understanding, in their time, of what race was. The word had a

clear, even scientific definition: Race depended, literally, on blood. What came to be called the "one-drop rule" specified that a single drop of ancestral African blood was sufficient to define a Negro. Blood might be diluted over time, but its essence could not be altered.

Under this rule, the children of Michael and Eliza Healy, no matter how fair their skin or European their features, could expect to lead hobbled lives, consigned to the most menial work and subjected to discrimination and violence. But that is not what happened.

The nine Healy children who survived infancy displayed a range of complexions—some "looked" black, some white, others in between. But they all managed to

subvert the line between the races. James, the oldest, became a Catholic priest in Boston, and from 1875 to 1900 was the second bishop of Portland, Maine. Hugh was setting himself up in the hardware business in New York City in the 1850s when he was killed in a freak boating accident at the age of 21. Patrick became a Jesuit, and from 1873 to 1882 he was the president of Georgetown University. Sherwood also became a priest and served as the rector of the Cathedral of the Holy Cross in Boston—probably destined, like his older brother James, for a bishop's chair, but he died at age 39. Martha, the oldest girl, was briefly a member of an order of religious sisters in Montreal before she left the convent, married an Irish immigrant, and lived out her days in suburban respectability outside Boston. Michael became a captain in the U.S. Revenue Cutter Service, the precursor of the modern-day Coast Guard. He enforced law and order off the coast of Alaska in the 1880s and 1890s. Josephine became a nun in a Canadian nursing order—she, too, died young. Her sister Eliza joined a Canadian teaching order and served as the superior of several convents in the United States and Canada. And finally, there was Eugene. Only this youngest child seemed to fail. He drifted from job to job, never quite finding himself, occasionally making his living as a gambler and sometimes landing in jail.

What made the Healys' achievements possible? They didn't storm the color line head on. And they didn't succeed entirely on their own. Instead, they allied themselves with institutions that operated uniquely inside and outside American society, permitting them an indirect transit across the race divide. The Healy siblings *became* white—and they did so at a time when barriers against African-Americans rose ever higher and were patrolled with increasing vigilance and violence.

Left: Michael A. Healy, captain of the Bear, U.S. Revenue Cutter Service

THE STORY begins in 1815, with the immigration of 19-year-old Michael Morris Healy from County Galway in Ireland. Healy settled in central Georgia, just across the Ocmulgee River from the rising market town of Macon, and gradually acquired 1,500 acres. This was cotton country, the land that Margaret Mitchell wrote about in *Gone With the Wind*. As a cotton farmer, Michael Healy was a great success. Of the roughly 500 landowners in the county, he ranked 35th in the extent of his holdings, very much at the top of the economic heap. Like other cotton farmers, he owned slaves—49 of them, at a time when the average master in the county owned only 14.

One of his slaves was Eliza Clark, with whom he evidently fell in love. Under the laws of Georgia, and indeed of most other states at the time, marriage between blacks and whites was forbidden. For more than 20 years, Michael and Eliza Healy lived together faithfully, but they were never formally married; in his will, Michael referred to her simply as "my trusty woman, Eliza, mother of my . . . children." It was also illegal for Michael Healy to free his wife, either while he lived or by his will. Freeing slaves required a special act of the state legislature, and was therefore almost unheard of. Technically, the Healy children were slaves too—throughout the South, children always took the condition of their mother. Even though they were never treated as such, Healy could not free them any more than he could free his wife.

As he considered his family's situation, Michael Healy realized that the only solution was to get his children out of Georgia. Disabling as racial attitudes could be north of the Mason-Dixon line, in a northern state the children could inherit his property and dispose of it as they wished. They might even be able to disguise their origins.

Accordingly, around 1837, Michael Healy took his oldest son, James, then just seven years old, to New York and placed him in a Quaker school in Flushing, Long Island. Another northern school, however, would prove life-altering for the Healys. Traveling by steamship between Washington and New York in the mid-1840s, the senior Healy had made the acquaintance of John Bernard Fitzpatrick, the Catholic bishop of Boston.

The bishop suggested that Healy send his sons to Worcester, Massachusetts, to attend the newly opened College of the Holy Cross, which then accepted children from grammar school age on up. Healy jumped at the chance. Holy Cross was set on a hill above the town, and was purposely separated, by 40 miles, from the suspicious eyes and nativist passions of Boston. The boys might be anomalous there, especially to the largely southern faculty—mostly Jesuits from old Maryland families—but the school could be a hiding place. And so, in the summer of 1844, the college received four new students named Healy:



Right: James A. Healy, bishop of Portland, Maine

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James, age 14; Hugh, age 12; Patrick, age 10; and Sherwood, age eight. A fifth brother, Michael, then age six, would enroll five years later.

Before their arrival in Worcester, the Healy boys had been, from the standpoint of religion, blank slates. None had been baptized. Now under the tutelage of Jesuits, they were expected to participate in all the religious exercises of the college. James, Hugh, Patrick, and Sherwood were baptized in November 1844 and received their Confirmation the following spring. But from almost any perspective, Catholicism was an unlikely choice for these children of mixed parentage. The record of the American Catholic Church on race was decidedly unimpressive. Wherever slavery was legal, Catholics joined the practice if they could afford to—the Jesuit order had owned slaves in Maryland and elsewhere for two centuries. John Hughes, the archbishop of New York, considered slavery to be "infinitely better than the condition in which [Africans] would have been, had they not been seized" and brought to America in chains. The Catholic newspaper the *Pilot* spoke casually in 1862 of the "natural inferiority" of African-Americans, proclaiming, "The negro race is happier in slavery than in freedom."

That the Healys could accept a Church whose leading thinkers were convinced of the inferiority of blacks suggests that Catholicism offered something to them beyond its interior spiritual reward—that they embraced it as a new public identity. And indeed, from the time of their conversion onward, the brothers consistently separated themselves from African-Americans. While a student, for instance, James dispassionately repeated in his diary the offhand stories told by classmates—many of them, like himself, the sons of southern slaveholders—about the "niggers" on the farms back home, apparently satisfied that the offensive word did not apply to him or his brothers. Nor did the Healys have much sympathy for abolition. As he grew older, Sherwood defended the traditional Catholic position that slavery was not "an evil in se" and that slave ownership was permissible even if slave trading was not. Slavery might even help "to control & civilize the negro," he wrote.

At Holy Cross, the brothers' racial origins were known—as Patrick later observed, anyone who looked on some of the Healy brothers could easily solve the racial riddle of all of them. But this seemed not to matter much. Massachusetts Catholics had no more tolerant racial attitudes than other Americans, but, isolated as they were in a cool social and religious climate, they were prepared to welcome anyone who chose them.

All four of the older Healys proved to be diligent scholars. In 1849, James was at the head of the college's first grad-

uating class, Hugh ranked fourth in the same class, Patrick first in his class, and Sherwood second in his. Given the brothers' academic prowess and newfound religion, it is not surprising that three of them would eventually choose to enter the priesthood.

With the young men on the brink of adulthood, the family's circumstances changed dramatically. Michael and Eliza Healy were apparently planning to sell their plantation and move north, but they never got the chance. Eliza died in May 1850, and her husband followed her in death four months later. The three children still at home, two girls and the boy Eugene, ranging in age from 18 months to five years, were in danger now of being sold into the actual slavery that was always their legal status. Hugh risked his life by traveling from New York back to Georgia to smuggle them out. He was technically a runaway slave himself and could have been seized if discovered, but by means that remain unknown he managed to get in and out of the state without detection, bringing his siblings first to New York and then to Boston. As the oldest, James became the head of the family, taking on the role of de facto parent and advisor to the others.

ON THE family color spectrum—what we know of it—James lay somewhere in the middle. He showed enough traces of African ancestry to arouse, on first meeting, at least vague suspicions about his background. Had the young Healy been anything less than brilliant, Boston's Bishop Fitzpatrick might have thought it futile to groom him for a career in the Church. But groom him he did. James attended seminaries in Montreal and Paris and was ordained a priest at the Cathedral of Notre Dame in 1854. Fitzpatrick prudently ignored the Church law that required a new priest to serve in the diocese of his birth (in this case, Charleston, South Carolina) and brought James back to Boston.

The bishop realized that simply placing James Healy in a parish church, whether on his own or as a junior curate, might cause problems. Would immigrant parishioners accept the ministrations of a man who, as far as they were concerned, was black? Equally in doubt, would fellow priests tolerate such a colleague? James shared these misgivings. "If I could have been as safe elsewhere as here," he wrote just after his return, "I should have desired never to show my face in Boston," where his family circumstances were "generally known" among Catholics.

Boldly, Fitzpatrick decided not to hide Healy but to give him a conspicuous position: that of his own secretary and chancellor of the diocese, a newly created position that made James a sort of chief operating officer and alter ego of the bishop. The gamble paid off. Under the bishop's

The Healys' choice of whiteness over blackness may strike some as unfortunate or even wrong. Passing remains a suspect idea, though for different reasons now than in their day.

penumbra, Healy was accepted by Boston Catholics not as a black or half-black priest, but simply as a priest. In 1875, James was named bishop of Portland, Maine, and his ascendancy aroused only isolated grumbling. A priest in Eastport, Maine, complained to the Vatican that local Catholics were "mortified and humiliated to have a mulatto for Bishop," but the letter went unanswered and seems to have been exceptional.

The acid test of James's racial status came in the person of another priest, Augustus Tolton, a former slave who had been ordained in Europe and did missionary work among African-American Catholics in Illinois. In the 1880s and 1890s, Tolton conducted fundraising tours around the United States. Everywhere he went, newspapers described him as "the only Colored priest in the country." To say that Tolton was the only black Catholic priest was to say that James Healy was not black. Nor did James suffer the indignities that blacks usually encountered in the public sphere. During his 25 years as a bishop, he traveled to California and back four times, and never once had to ride in the Jim Crow railroad car. As far as white Americans were concerned, James Healy was one of them.

OF THE four siblings for whom we have photographs, Sherwood was the one with the most evidently African-American features, and thus his situation was the most challenging. After Holy Cross, Sherwood attended seminaries in Montreal and Paris, where he achieved an extraordinary mastery of Gregorian chant and canon law, and in 1858 he too was ordained at Notre Dame. Although James Healy was already a success in Boston, Bishop Fitzpatrick hesitated to bring Sherwood home. And, as the national debate over slavery drew to its climax, Sherwood was reluctant to leave Europe. "He feels an unwillingness," Fitzpatrick explained to a papal official, "for reasons which I cannot condemn, to return to this country." Accordingly, the bishop sent Sherwood to Rome for further studies.

Fitzpatrick was always sympathetic to the Healy brothers, but there were limits to what he could do for Sherwood. In 1859, when an opportunity arose for him to nominate Sherwood as rector of a new American seminary in Rome, the bishop concluded that it was "useless to recommend him." Fitzpatrick spelled out the reason in a letter to the archbishop of New York: "He has African blood and it shews [sic] distinctly in his exterior. This, in a large number of American youths, might lessen the respect they ought to have for the first superior in a house." When Sherwood did finally return to Boston a year later with a doctorate in Church law, it was to a post for which he was vastly

overqualified: ministering in the House of the Angel Guardian, a home for wayward boys.

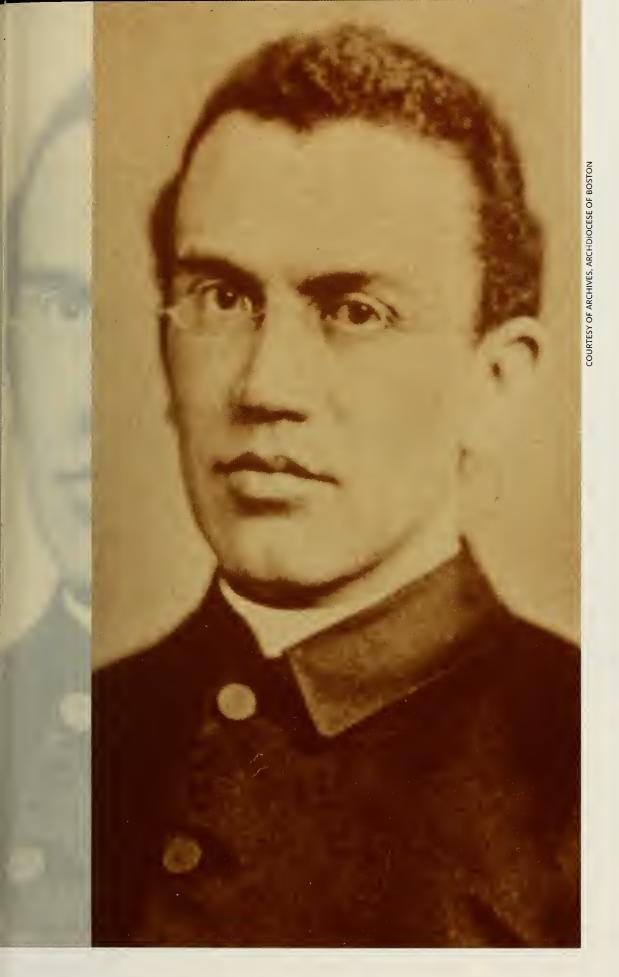
Soon, though, Sherwood was playing a wider role in the Boston Church. His musical training, for example, meant that he was always a good candidate to sing the High Mass on special occasions. And if James had become an alter ego for Bishop Fitzpatrick, Sherwood sometimes became the alter ego for his brother. When James vacationed in Europe in the summer and fall of 1863, Sherwood, not yet 30, was made the acting chancellor of the diocese.

In 1870, Sherwood was named rector of the Cathedral of the Holy Cross in Boston, in which capacity he supervised the funding and construction of the new cathedral building. Thousands of ordinary parishioners, most of them working-class Irish immigrants, accepted him with nary a word about his background. In newspaper reports and other documents, he was referred to simply as "Fr. Healy"—just another priest with an Irish name. Parishioners confessed to him, attended his Masses, and took Communion from his hands.

Sherwood displayed little interest in Boston's black community. Despite his appearance, he identified with the white community and became a part of it, hiding—and hidden—in plain sight.

PATRICK HEALY, on the other hand, was to all appearances a white man, but his family history was not so easily shaken off. Two years into his studies to become a Jesuit priest, he was sent back to teach at Holy Cross. "Placed in a college as I am, over boys who were well acquainted either by sight or hearsay with me + my brothers," he wrote to his old mentor, Fr. George Fenwick, "remarks are sometimes made (though not in my hearing) which wound my very heart." Patrick went on to further studies, and then ordination, in Europe. While there, he prayed that "the Society may never have reason to repent of having allowed me to be . . . one of its children"—as he wrote to a friend—in spite of the risk that he might tarnish "its good name by my irregularities."

On his return to the United States in 1866, Patrick was posted at Georgetown University, in Washington, D.C., a school with a largely southern student body that would scarcely have welcomed Healy if his "irregularities" had surfaced. But the Jesuits, knowing of Patrick's background, took the precaution of assigning him to teach within the university's separate division for the training of Jesuits. Once he had passed the test of acceptance, he was made dean, a position that exposed him to students at large. Stories occasionally circulated that Fr. Healy had some "Spanish blood," but that was the extent of speculation



Above: Fr. A. Sherwood Healy, rector of the Cathedral of the Holy Cross, Boston $\,$

about his ethnicity. Patrick advanced swiftly. At the age of 39, he assumed the presidency of what was then the largest Catholic college in the United States. He would go on to oversee a rebuilding of the campus and significant curriculum reforms.

True, he occasionally encountered difficulties within the order; an old Jesuit once said that some of the order's houses declined to receive Patrick Healy as he traveled the country for the university, because no one would ever again sleep

in the bed he had used. But the typical reaction to Patrick was more like that of an unknowing student at Georgetown, the son of a former Confederate leader, who described him as "a finished scholar, a remarkable linguist, and the clearest thinker and expounder of his thoughts that I ever met."

OF ALL the Healys, the fair-skinned Michael made perhaps the sharpest break with the family's past. Unhappy and rebellious at Holy Cross, he was sent in 1854, at the age of 15, to a seminary in France. But he fled the following year to England and signed on as a cabin boy on a merchant ship bound for the Far East. The seafaring life agreed with him. He returned to Boston in 1863 with a "definite determination" to join the U.S. Treasury Department's Revenue Cutter Service.

Soon after enlisting, Michael received an officer's commission, which would have been impossible if his origins had been known. And in this way his racial status was settled. As his career took him thousands of miles away from the darker Sherwood and James, the family secret was contained. Michael's whiteness was confirmed by his marriage in 1865 to Mary Jane Roach, the daughter of Irish immigrants, and by the birth of their fair-skinned son, Fred.

Michael went on to enjoy a picturesque and distinguished career in Alaska, attaining the rank of captain in 1883. One of his best-known exploits was a project to introduce reindeer into the northern territory. He had noticed, on periodic visits to

Siberia, that the Chukchi people there were more prosperous than Alaska's natives because they had domesticated reindeer and used them for food, travel, and clothing. Seeking to improve the Alaskans' lot, he made dozens of trips to Siberia to buy reindeer and bring them back. News of his efforts spread far. The irony notwithstanding, Michael Healy became the most famous "white man" in Alaska. In the far north, he was "a good deal more distinguished," the *New York Sun* reported in 1894, "than any president of the United States or any potentate of Europe."

But Captain Healy also had his troubles. Harsh and authoritarian aboard ship, he was once court-martialed for inflicting cruel punishments on his crew, a charge of which he

was acquitted. He was not so lucky in 1895, when he was court-martialed for repeated drunkenness. He was convicted, and only narrowly escaped dismissal from the service. The proceedings, however, were as notable for what they

did *not* reveal as for what they did. During a shipboard altercation, a passenger had hurled at Captain Healy an ethnic slur, apparently the worst thing he could think of in the heat of the moment. The captain, he had blurted out, was

THE LEGACY

Tom Riley '65 recalls being nine years old when he first heard about the "family conundrum." His uncle Cornelius related the story: How when he and Aunt Betty were planning to be married, grandmother Bess "introduced him to the fact that we were part African-American." The prospective groom's reply, a cheery reference to the family's suburban Boston circle of friends and acquaintances, was, "Well, you know, Bess, everybody knows that."

Riley, dean of the college of arts, humanities, and social sci-

ences at North Dakota State University, is the great-grandson of Martha, the oldest of the Healy girls. After a brief time in the convent, Martha had moved to Boston to be near her brother James, and she married Jeremiah Cashman, a young upwardly mobile Irishman, in 1865. Their daughter Elizabeth married Matt Cunningham, owner of several grinding wheel companies. And the Cunninghams' daughter Virginia wed Dr. Joe Riley '35, Tom's father.

According to Riley, his grandmother Bess, her sisters, and Martha used to pass long summer visits with Bishop James Healy on Casco Bay, in Maine. But his grandmother never talked to him much about Martha. Bishop Healy's accomplishments were well known to the Riley offspring, however, and those of Georgetown's Patrick Healy somewhat less so. But Michael Healy—"Hell Roaring Mike," as a modern Coast Guard history calls the captain of the *Bear*—was the mainstay of family legend, and Riley's Aunt Betty narrated a memorable tale of a bloody encounter between "Captain Mike" and Indian hostage-takers over a ransom of blankets.

In his book *Passing for White*, James O'Toole conveys through letters and individual histories the sanctuary of family that the Healys maintained as they monitored one another's welfare and took up companionable orbits, even when for some of them it would have been expedient to cut connections. And as Riley suggests, they passed their allegiance and protectiveness on: "Aunt Betty (Elizabeth), Grandmother Bess—their names, of course, go back to Eliza, who



Healy descendant Riley with a model of the Bear

was Michael Morris Healy's, what would you say? common law wife." Riley recalls a spring break at BC when a number of his classmates—many of whom knew his ancestry-planned a trip to Selma, Alabama, to join the civil rights protests. "My grandmother was so upset by the idea of my going down there. And I couldn't understand exactly why," he says. "I ended up not going. She obviously was very worried about passing, and what that meant, but by the 1960s, my generation was kind of proud of our background."

In 1997, Riley traveled to Macon, Georgia, to find the graves of Eliza and Michael Morris Healy. He introduced himself at the town's Tubman African-American Museum, and the reaction, he says, was "a little bit of shock." The woman he spoke with knew of the Healys' achievements up north, "but had lost track of the family after that. I said, 'Well, you know, the family kind of passed.' And she said, 'Honey, we all did what we had to do.'"

"The Healys were talented," says Riley, "but they weren't necessarily any better or worse than anybody." The siblings had "no choice" when they sold their father's plantation and slaves, he says, "but what that generation accomplished was built to some extent on the backs of the people whom they sold." The site of the Healy plantation, called River North until about five years ago, is now called Healy Point and includes the Healy Point Country Club.

Riley did find the grave plot. It had been built around 1851, after the senior Healy's death, by the second oldest son, Hugh, who braved the Fugitive Slave Act to return south and rescue his youngest siblings, including Martha. The plot is rectangular, about 12 feet per side, enclosed by a stone wall three-and-a-half feet high. A spindly tree grows out of the inside. "I had looked at several other grave plots in the area," says Riley, "and they all had gates on them." The Healy plot "had no gate. It was just a big square, as if the idea were to keep out the rest of this world."

Anna Marie Murphy

nothing but "a God damned Irishman."

As might be expected of the 19th century, the lives of the three Healy sisters were less storied. No photographs of them survive. But they too defied the expectations of race. They were educated at a convent school in Montreal, across the street from the seminary attended by James and Sherwood. The star of the three was Eliza, the youngest girl, who became Sr. St. Mary Magdalen and directed an academy in St. Albans, Vermont, for 15 years. She helped to establish a college for her order, the Congregation de Notre Dame, on Staten Island, and, when the double liability of being racially mixed and female is taken into account, her accomplishments are as impressive as those of her brothers.

CONTEMPLATING THE lives of the Healys, we are left wondering how they could have achieved so much.

One answer may be that, in Catholicism, they found a perfect ally. The Roman Church was largely separated—even self-separating—from the rest of American society. It had its own distinct systems of preparation, activity, and promotion, operating mostly out of sight of nonmembers. Catholicism served as a useful intermediary for the Healys; it enabled them to "triangulate" around the problem of racial identity. They became white, in effect, by first becoming Catholics. No doubt the Revenue Cutter Service played a similar role for young Michael.

The Healys' passage across the color line was of course smoothed by their father's economic standing. None of their achievements would have been possible if they had not inherited his wealth. The siblings enjoyed the prolonged adolescence of schooling. They could afford homes in the suburbs and travel in Europe. They cultivated the bearing and the tastes of the well-to-do because they were genuinely of that class. And their wealth confirmed their whiteness.

The ways in which they defined themselves as sexual beings provided another boost. They each had to confront the taboo against interracial sexuality. The three Healys who married all chose white spouses, and that seemed to settle the race question: White spouses meant that they were white. For the others, religious celibacy allowed them to sidestep the issue altogether.

A CENTURY and more later, the Healys' choice of whiteness over blackness may strike some as unfortunate or even wrong. "Passing" remains a controversial word and a suspect idea, though for different reasons now than in their day. Then, it meant breaking society's rules. Today, it suggests a lack of pride in one's heritage. And should we even claim blackness for the Healys, when they did not? Should we praise them as the first black bishop, or university president, or captain, or religious superior, when they wanted no such honor?

From the complicated moral terrain of their lives, the



Above: Patrick F. Healy, SJ, president of Georgetown University

Healys speak to an America still struggling with the quandaries of race. In 1900, W.E.B. Du Bois predicted that the problem of the 20th century would be the problem of the color line, and he was surely prophetic. We know now that more than a single century will be needed to resolve that problem. As we continue to try, we should note that the Healys' predicament is becoming more common. Sociologists tell us that ours is a time when ethnic lines are increasingly unclear. By the year 2050, more or less, the United States will be a nation in which no one race, traditionally defined, will constitute a majority. And intermarriage is on the rise.

Unusual in their day, the Healys now seem the forerunners of a new reality. Perhaps the lesson they offer us lies in how these nine individuals managed to get on with their lives and take into their own hands the all-important question of who they were.

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My generation

FOUR CATHOLIC STUDENTS ON FAITH, CHURCH, AND
THE FACTS OF LIFE IN THE 21ST CENTURY. AN INTERVIEW BY BEN BIRNBAUM

As classes were ending for the summer, four undergraduates sat in a meeting room at Lawrence House, there to discuss at BCM's invitation a range of topics growing out of the first year of the University's Church in the 21st Century initiative. In 2002-03, Adam Baker '03 was president of the undergraduate government (UGBC) and a member of the initiative's advisory board. He majored in theology and political science with a minor in music, and he is now serving in the South Bronx as a volunteer with Teach for America. Rachel Leyland '05 is an English major and history/philosophy minor from Colchester, Connecticut. She plays piccolo in the Screaming Eagles Marching Band, sings soprano in the BC Chorale, and was the UGBC's director of religious affairs last year. Kevin Meme '03 majored in economics and is now working as an associate at the Center for Retirement Research at BC. He was an editor of the Catholic student newspaper Crossroads

and a member of the Church in the 21st Century advisory board. *Grace Simmons '05* also serves on the initiative's advisory board; she is a political science and philosophy major from Skaneateles, New York.

As students, what kind of grade would you give BC's Church in the 21st Century initiative for its first year?

Adam Baker: I would give it a B+. We need to focus on getting more students involved. I would say probably between 1,000 and 2,000 students participated over the year.

Rachel Leyland: I give it a B+ as well. A lot of the lectures were over the heads of undergraduates. And I think that deterred students from going.

Grace Simmons: It's hard to get students to go to a conver-





From far left: Adam Baker '03, Rachel Leyland '05, Grace Simmons '05, and Kevin Meme '03

sation on "what the Second Vatican Council meant to me." I'm looking forward to a focus on renewal in the second year and a tie to spiritual programs, because I think students will be apt to want to go to events that offer something for personal growth.

Kevin Meme: I give it a C+. Before we can discuss post–Vatican II specifics, a lot of students need to know what Vatican II is. Many students are on a very basic level of trying to understand Catholicism. I also think that panel discussions aren't appealing to students. The most popular programs for students were when one speaker had an opportunity to put forth an idea that you could grasp and think about.

I've heard it said that Catholic religious education since Vatican II has been a failure. What's your sense of this? Do you know less about Catholicism than your parents knew at your age?

Simmons: My name is Grace, and I know less about Catholicism than . . . [laughter]

Leyland: I definitely know less than my parents or grandparents. I had catechism classes for six years, but basically they taught me to be nice to other people and that I was worth something. And I didn't go to a Catholic high school, so I had my first theology class at BC.

Baker: I think I know more about Catholic theology than my parents knew at my age. I'll always remember a story they tell about being in third or fourth grade, and one of the

priests put on an audiotape of crackling fire and told them that this was hell, and it's where they were going if they did certain things. I think I have a fuller understanding of what Catholicism means than they had at my age.

Meme: My parents and grandparents learned a great deal about Catholicism, but without any questioning. Hey, they were Catholic—why would you be anything else? When I went to a Jesuit high school the lesson was: Here's what the Church teaches, and here's why. Now you'd better figure out why it's meaningful for your life. Perhaps one of the problems for most college students is that we haven't gotten a reasonable explanation of what the Church teaches, so how can we talk about how it's meaningful in our lives?

I'm afraid I do have to bring up Vatican II again, because as Grace intimated earlier, it was the subject of a lot of discussion at BC in the past year—questions of what it meant and whether it worked. So what does Vatican II mean to you?

Baker: To me it means a revolution in the Church that looked to change the structure, reduce the power of the hierarchy, and be more inclusive of different cultures and people. I feel like a lot of changes haven't been fulfilled. I think people didn't really know how to handle the changes when they occured.

Leyland: For our generation, Vatican II pretty much means the time when people stopped eating fish on Fridays.

Simmons: Vatican II set up a huge openness to culture within the Church, and I don't know if people knew how to deal with it. And I think that might be a reason for some of today's challenges.

Meme: I think a lot of my peers view Vatican II as the process that got rid of ridiculous and archaic practices that the Church needed to get rid of. I see it as kind of a revolution, a chance for the Church to say, This message is *not* outdated. A council is important. It's not something that just happens and is done; it's the climax of all this discussion that's going on, and then the council drives the Church forward into some kind of new era.

I've been told by people who ought to know—some of the Catholic chaplains, for example—that this scandal is pretty much a yawn for Catholic students at BC, that you don't feel nearly as shaken as your parents' generation by what has been revealed. Is this true?

Meme: The generations have a different view on sexuality. I think some of the older generations are shocked, and I think our generation is not shocked. Also, our generation has an almost more Protestant understanding of Catholicism. Religion is very much a more personal thing for them. They're saying, hey, these priests have done this terrible thing, but my faith is my faith and it's important to me, and so this scandal may be going on, but it's not like *I'm* in a crisis. There's no crisis for me.

Simmons: Kevin took the words out of my mouth. I think people in our generation are using the Church as a means to develop themselves spiritually. Whereas I think our parents' generation has a list of things they expect from the Church. I do want to say that if it was your parish priest who was involved, the scandal could have a totally different effect on you. Because I think college students, when they think about Catholicism, always bring it back to their parish community.

Leyland: I think it's more shocking for our parents and grandparents because they didn't grow up with the sexual culture that we live in, but also because part of their job was to protect their children from sexual abuse. And I think it's very disturbing for them to see that the kind of person they trusted to care for their children, to protect their children, could take advantage of children like that.

Meme: That's an interesting point. For the older generation, the Catholic Church was a primary vehicle for *protecting* children, one of the things they could always rely on. Right? It's pure, it's unerring. And then this happens, and it totally rocks your boat.

Baker: I think that our lack of shock over the scandal has to do with the fact that we don't feel as tied to the Church. I know my parents see their faith and the Church as one thing, but many college students see it as two very separate things. And I think that this crisis has driven a wider gap between faith and institutional church. And so a lot of people have just dropped the Church, and they're looking for other ways to express faith and be faithful. I think that's the divide we're seeing and why our parents and grandparents are so interested in trying to renew the faith and some of us are not as interested. That's why I personally think it's important that the Church in the 21st Century initiative focus on the issue of handing down faith, getting college students to see their faith and the Church as something that you really can't separate out.

Simmons: Can I make a statement? It's upsetting to me that it may have taken a scandal like this to make the Catholic Church realize that it needs to do something more for its young people. Catholicism has been an enormous part of my development and my identity, and that's why I think I have such strong reactions to what's going on in the Church. Growing up, I would go to church on Sundays, and say, Where are all my friends who claim to be Catholics? And I know that they pray, so why aren't they at Mass with their parents? Why am I one of the only few young people in this church right now? And what am I going to do about that? was one thing I always thought. Because if you're tied to something, you want to do something to save it.

Meme: Well said. I've been in an ongoing discussion, both in a class called "Belief and Modernity" and with a friend of mine, about what the heck is the value of being in this organized religion? We believe what we believe, so why do we need to do it in a box called Catholicism? And one of the things that's come out of the discussion is that the sacramental nature of Catholicism is so strong that you can't really be a Catholic without going to Mass, taking part in these kind of very physical, very communal, celebrations. So I think our generation of Catholics errs in thinking that we can say: Here's my relationship with God, here's my relationship with the Church, and they exist in separate communities.

How much of this separation between personal faith and practice in your generation can be traced to differences you have with Church teachings on sexual ethics and practice?

Meme: I think a lot of Catholics in our generation ask: Who is the Church to tell me whether I can have sex with this or that person? My response is: Well, you're a Catholic, aren't you? To me the Church has teaching authority in my life in regard to sex. But also in my life, there's a tension between what I would like to do sexually and what I feel is the right

thing to do. What if I'm really in love with this person, I've been dating her for two years, and I'd really like to sleep with her? The Church, however, is saying: Wait—think about that. And based on experience and reading I've done, I think the Church's vision is wise and conducive to creating ultimately good relationships, good friendships, good communities. But it's hard to do, at least for people in our generation, because we think, hey, this is sexuality, it's personal, it's me.

I need to make this point: The Church is not saying "think about that"; the Church is saying "no."

Meme: The Church is saying "no." That's right.

Baker: I think Kevin is right about heterosexual couples the Church has wise things to say there. But some of the other issues, like the call to chastity and priestly celibacy, are things we need to reexamine because there are obviously problems. And I think the Church has done a terrible job ministering to homosexual Catholics, condemning people because of their nature.

Leyland: No one who knows the Catholic Church's teachings on sexuality could say that they're held by most young people today. Those teachings are countercultural. What you see in the movies and everywhere else does kind of desensitize you to what you're seeing, and it's not shocking now to think that high school students have sex, and their parents give them condoms. There's a lot of open discussion about it, which is great because discussion leads to understanding in a lot of cases. I personally agree with the Church's sexual teachings and try to hold to them in my life, but it's very hard when everyone else you know is going another way, or maybe judging that what you're doing doesn't make sense.

Simmons: Like Rachel, I take seriously what the Church says about sex and think about how I want to apply that to my life. But I find that when my friends are talking to me about their sexual lives, I don't condemn them. I say to myself, well, this is how I choose to be, and that's okay for me, and I'm not going to force my views on them.

Meme: This is where I disagree with you. I've never thought that being married, having a family, or being able to have sex is some type of "right" for me. And so if the Church says "you can't do some of those things," that's not imposing on my freedom. And as far as the call to chastity goes, one of the reasons I respect the Church is that it still stands in a culture that is anything but a call to chastity, and says that while this might sound ridiculous to most of you, it's what we believe is right. Grace is absolutely correct when she says that our generation was brought up to think about "what's right for me." I've heard people say, "I would never get an abortion, but I would never tell somebody else not to get an

abortion," and I say that if you think it's wrong, why shouldn't you tell other people what you think? If someone tells me about their sexual life, I'll tell them if I think they're living it wrong and ultimately harming themselves.

Baker: My point about chastity is that I think it's a very specific and personal calling. I don't think, for example, that you should just require it of all people who feel called to God. I just don't think that's right. In terms of sexuality, I have a different view, which is that the sexual revolution happened a while ago, and while this caused people to become somewhat desensitized to sexuality, there has been a recent movement back toward responsibility, at least in our generation of college students.

But the movement among college students toward greater sexual responsibility is not a religious movement.

Baker: No, it's not; it's a call to personal responsibility. But there is something moral about it.

Leyland: I don't see people being more sexually responsible because of a moral calling. People are being more responsible for health or practical reasons. They don't want to get pregnant right now, or they don't want to catch a disease. People are thinking about protecting themselves, not their souls or their moral values.

Meme: I agree with you. However, it's funny to see this kind of counter-revolution, because the Church has been saying this all along. And it all comes back to tradition, to 2,000 years of faith and reason, of people thinking and talking about sexual ethics.

Simmons: This is a really sensitive issue for me. I don't know if it's because I'm a woman, or what it is. Being a woman could in fact have a lot to do with the way I think about this. But I think if my roommate was going to sit down with me and want to talk to me about whether or not she was going to have sex with her boyfriend, I would certainly encourage her not to do that, but I wouldn't ground it in health or what I read in *Cosmopolitan*. I would ground it in moral and ethical reasons, that I feel very strongly about, that are derived from my religious upbringing.

The point has been made throughout this first year of the Church in the 21st Century initiative that American Catholics have arrived at a historic turning point, that things can never be the same again for the laity, for the bishops, for the priests. Given this shuffle in relationships, who are your models of Catholic life for the 21st century? Do you have Catholic heroes you look up to?

Meme: On a day-to-day basis I look to my grandfather. He and my grandmother have an incredible 50-year marriage.

They pray the rosary every night, which is really cool. So I try to emulate him. But then I also look back to people like Ignatius Loyola for how to live a spiritual life, and I think the current pope is a model because he is both an unwavering Catholic and also very open, seeking reconciliation with all people, and very concerned with the issues of the day. And then I go down to a place like Chiapas, Mexico, and find that I learn about Archbishop Romero of El Salvador. All of these people have lived by truths that are out of time. They're models of the 21st century because what Romero did 20 years ago and what Ignatius did 400 years ago are really the same thing. And they're all living by values that stay meaningful.

Simmons: I have so much admiration for my mother, her commitment to Catholicism, and her ability to say what she wants to say and follow through. I also admire Mother Teresa immensely. Dorothy Day is another person I see as a model, because I have a great interest in social justice. A few of my professors have also been important to my development as a Catholic. Because of this crisis in the Church, Rachel and I did a seminar with Professor Brian Braman and Professor Kerry Cronin. And we met on Friday afternoons, six students and two faculty members, talking this stuff out. These are all Catholics who are striving to make goodness essential to who they are as human beings, and that's what makes them Catholic models for me, and maybe that's the saving grace for the Church.

Leyland: The person foremost in my mind is my grand-

mother. And I'd echo a lot of what Kevin said about his grandfather. She's the most inspirational woman in the world to me because she applies her faith every day, to every person she comes in contact with. And to have someone like that in my life allows me to see how people who take what they've learned and apply it to their lives can do great things. It's amazing. And some of my friends are my heroes, too—one from high school and one here at BC. I think they're heroes for the 21st century because they're doing it here, now, when it's not easy. Back in the day, everyone had religion as part of their identity, and you didn't have these questions and these choices—you were something, and there was no option. Today when you find someone who applies their faith to life every day, it's like seeing a miracle.

Baker: Some of my greatest models for being Catholic have been Jesuits here. They're so involved in the community, so obviously here to serve the students and work with the students, and I'd never seen people so passionately committed to serving a community before. It kind of shocked me. But I also think of Andrew Sullivan and Garry Wills as Catholic heroes, because they challenge the Church to become better. It's important for me to see people who remain faithful but are able to challenge the Church in an intellectual way. I think it takes courage. And I think the challenge itself is important, because if these things are as important for our lives as we say they are, we need to talk about them and debate them. \square

COMING OF AGE IN A VATICAN II WORLD

Sociologists in the past 10 years have reported a widespread religious illiteracy among post–Vatican II Catholics, generations X and Y. "Have you ever heard of the Second Vatican Council?" Catholic University's Dean Hoge and colleagues asked young adult confirmed Catholics. In their report, the researchers broke out the responses by Latino and non-Latino young adults: Only 56 percent of the non-Latino sample and 27 percent of the Latino sample answered yes.

Overall, Hoge's young Catholics showed themselves to be independent thinkers, accepting of differences. They're spiritually aware and socially engaged. That is, they like to put themselves at the service of others—but not in old-fashioned 1960s-style political terms; this is volunteerism, which is different.

Statistical studies of religious literacy are useful, but they offer a narrow account. Most measure conceptual literacy, but young Catholics, in fact, manifest a *performative* literacy of Vatican II. Every time a young Catholic acts so as to endorse the Church as the people of God, that is performative literacy. Every time a young Catholic acts so as to endorse

the importance of religious liberty or social justice, that is performative literacy. Such behavior does not need to have been inspired exclusively by the Catholic Church to count as Catholic literacy. After all, those teachings, especially on religious liberty, were themselves assembled through dialogue with non-Catholic peoples and secular traditions.

The behavior of young Catholics today shows that their education was not undialectically a failure, but in a sense a major success. The challenge, pedagogically, will be to integrate the conceptual and the performative literacies—to locate the meaning of the performative. One of our great spiritual teachers, the Jesuit Karl Rahner, was way ahead in seeing this. In his *Belief Today* (1967), there are essays on sitting down, on sleeping, and on eating as spiritual experiences. Toward the same end, I'm giving a course on the "theology of everyday life" next year. It's going to take some work.

From an April 23 talk by BC theologian Thomas M. Beaudoin, "Was Catholic Religious Education after Vatican II a Failure?"

Catholic and gay

THOUGHTS ON THE ESSENTIAL NATURE OF LOVE

BY DAVID MORRISON

In the 10th chapter of the Gospel of Mark, a young man runs up to Christ, kneels before him, and asks, "What must I do in order to inherit eternal life?" Jesus answers by enumerating what I call the party line: "Honor your father and your mother, keep the commandments." The young man replies, "Since my birth, I've done these things. What else do I need to do?" The evangelist records that Christ looked at him and loved him, and said, "Go, sell your possessions, give money to the poor, and come follow me." And the young man went away sorrowing, for he had many possessions. Like that man, every one of us, no matter what degree of same-sex attraction we might live with, no matter our temptations or weaknesses, asks Christ the same question, and every one of us has to hear his answer in our own lives.

I'm a convert to Catholicism, but I came to the Church's teaching on chastity before I became a Catholic, because it made so much sense to me in light of the questions I was asking myself about the essential nature of love. The Church doesn't claim to know the origins of same-sex attraction, and—contrary to the thinking of a few bigoted Church members—she doesn't declare that the attraction is a sin. But she does call it an objective disorder, and she expects men and women living with same-sex attraction to live chastely, just as she expects all unmarried Christians to live chastely, which means no sex outside of marriage or before marriage. For that matter, married people, too, are expected to live chastely, which in their case means no contraception, along with sexual fidelity and commitment.

While all this is well known, people forget one part of the Church's teaching on chastity, which comes in the last paragraph on the topic in the catechism. There she says basically that, with the help of the sacraments and sacramental grace, and the help of friendship, men and women living with same-sex attraction can and should attain Christian perfection. The Catholic Church looks at me as an adult and says, "You might live with same-sex attraction, you might even define yourself as a homosexual, but we think that you can and will be a saint." And that, I believe, is head and shoulders above what anyone else says on the topic.

Some folks on the right tell me that because I live with a degree of same-sex attraction, I'm condemned to hell. Some people on the left say, "Poor thing, we consider you oppressed. You must expect to act on your inclinations; it's too much to ask you to live chastely." In a funny way, both sides are expressing much the same idea. On the one hand, the radical right tells me that I'm predestined to go to hell. On the other hand, the left tells me I'm predestined also—to act on my sexual inclinations. Neither is true, and the Catholic Church recognizes that.

I came to chastity because I loved my partner so much. I'm a veteran of a 17-year-long committed relationship with another man. It's a deep friendship, and it has been since almost the moment we met. It was sexually active for the first seven years, and then—after I became a Christian, after I began reflecting on what Scripture and tradition had taught for 2,000 years—I went to my partner and said, "I love you. Can we please stop having sex?"

That's what I said. What he heard me say was, "I don't love you anymore." Thus started a year in which we disentangled the sexual aspects of our relationship from the rest of it. We came to understand that what we had together as friends—all the love, encouragement, honesty, affection, compassion, joy—we still had without the sex. That was 10 years ago, and we've lived chastely ever since. Or to be more exact, only once after that date did we have sex. It was the night of my birthday, we'd both had a bit too much to drink, and we wound up having sex again. Afterward he realized what that had meant to me, and he resolved then that because he loved me and because I wanted to be chaste, he would help me. And he did.

What is genuine love? The supposition on the left is that if I can't have sex, my life must be loveless, lonely, and cold. And that's just not true. What I've come to understand is that erotic love is only one aspect of the love human beings experience, that we don't need to have sex to live a life that is joyful and committed and filled with friends and family. The question, then, is whether having sex is worth risking the kingdom of heaven.

This of course brings to mind the dialogue between Christ and the young man who asked what to do to attain eternal life. Jesus didn't tell him, "Go away and sell *all* your possessions," but simply, "Sell your possessions." Christ put his finger on the one thing in his life, the one thing in all our lives, that to give up, to make Christ the Lord in our lives, would be extremely difficult. Something for which we might go away sorrowing, or might turn our back and say, "Sorry, Christ, you're not for me." Christ will honor our decision. He doesn't force himself on anybody. But he'll ask.

At bottom, the Church's teaching on homosexuality is a matter of discipleship. I turned 40 this year, and all around me in my parish there are men and women about my age who don't self-define as gay or lesbian yet are no closer to being married than I am. And the Church expects them to live chastely as part of making Christ Lord in their lives. The issue is not what tempts us, then. The issue is how we live. Living chastely is hard, just like forgiving and asking others to forgive us, just like being charitable to folks who make us angry.

But following Christ is not impossibly hard. I have found, for example, that the growth of love in a chaste relationship

can be every bit as deep as the love I experienced while I was having sex. And in the end, I don't believe that having homosexual sex is objectively loving, because genuine love seeks what's best for the beloved—not merely what's convenient, not merely what feels good or reassuring or serves emotional needs, but what is truly best for the person we love. And I don't think homosexual sex is best for anybody. At the same time, there can be in friendship so much good and so much grace. God's love is like water. It finds a way.

So, my reaction to the Church's teaching on homosexuality is that we all should ask ourselves how willing we are to follow Christ and take him up on his offer. For it is a leap of faith. But it's been my experience, and the experience of a lot of people I know, that when we take the leap of faith, he's there to catch us, and he does catch us, and he'll catch you.

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WHY AMERICA NEEDS A CATHOLIC RECOVERY

BY WILSON CAREY MCWILLIAMS

Begin with the Augustinian truth: The Church, like its rivals, aspires to speak of and for the City of God, but it must speak in and to the City of Man. The transcendent is its reason for living, but it must live in order to fulfill that reason. Compelled to adapt to the temporalities, religion must also be watchful lest it become simply a function of time and place. If a church accommodates too much to society, it loses its distinctive character, and along with it any strong sense of community or claim on the identity of its members. But if it makes the social cost of membership too high, a church risks shrinking to the dimensions of a sect. At least implicitly, religion bargains with society, distinguishing between the first principles that are the perennial heart of its faith and the teachings and disciplines that it can de-emphasize or abandon in response to new circumstances.

The current clergy sex abuse scandals represent the most severe crisis in the history of the American Church, calling, in some measure, its bargains with society and with its own membership into question. American Catholics must hope for a season of atonement, knowing that this will bring turbulence and pain. Yet all Americans have a stake in the outcome: The Church's future in this red-dawning century is inseparable from that of the republic.

ALEXIS DE Tocqueville once observed that, despite Catholicism's aristocratic structure and affinities, the American Church had embraced political democracy, and American Catholics were "the most republican and the most democratic class in the United States." In part, this was attributable to interest: A minority, and the object of suspicion and ancient animosity, Catholics took refuge in laws protecting religious liberty and separating church and state. Similarly, since most Catholics were at the low end of the income scale, they were natural democratic partisans. But Tocqueville also discerned a more fundamental compatibility between Catholicism and democracy.

Every faith, Tocqueville argued, has an inner logic deriving from its first principles that will make itself felt even when it is overborne by circumstance. During the Middle

Ages, he contended, the Church was impelled to shape its institutions for a world of classes and castes, so that it "improperly enhanced" the authority of its "divine agents." However, the Church never wholly lost the egalitarian core of Christian teaching. America's insistent democracy allowed and compelled Catholicism to return to first things, a pattern Tocqueville discerned in the early half of the 19th century in the tendency among the American clergy to stress the spirit and not the letter of faith and law. As Tocqueville saw it, in other words, American democracy was liberating the Church from its historical distortions and returning Catholicism to its original vision—and in the process, gaining patriots and citizens.

None of this implied any formal democratization of the Church or a lessening of episcopal authority, and Tocqueville had no notion of the possibility of a married clergy or the ordination of women or any of the similar reforms under discussion today. Rather, he spoke of Catholics as "submissive and sincere," devoted to a faith that disposed them to obedience, but not to inequality. And he also detected a change in the Church's tone and ways. The "habits of public life," Tocqueville noted in another context, tend to be introduced into private manners. That dynamic promised a disposition, however hesitantly applied, to attend to lay opinion and the societies of the faithful that have been a feature of American Catholic history.

Tocqueville carried his argument to a vision of Catholics moving soon into the mainstream of American civic life. About that he was uncharacteristically over-optimistic. Immigration heightened anxieties about Catholic intentions and power, and Catholics, in turn, became more protective of their communities and communions. Catholicism remained a fault line in American party politics at least until 1960, but even during difficult times Tocqueville's main argument held: Catholics were steady champions of democracy and American institutions.

Contemporary America, moreover, realizes Tocqueville's vision. Catholicism is increasingly audible as a "public religion," offering a cultural option in American political life. It

is probably the most articulate communitarian voice in our politics, upholding claims of a "consistent ethic of life" in a moral community. Moreover, Catholics are grand advocates for equality, the republic's moral foundation, at a time when it needs defenders. Despite the obvious advances in equalizing races and genders, equality today as a human, universal given remains desperately embattled. Meanwhile, in the academy, the relativists and postmodernists reign and are engrossed with contexts and, hence, the differences of history, culture, and perspective. And in the practice of politics, equality confronts titanic and growing inequalities of wealth and power. Democracy, Aristotle observed, sees a life freely devoted to the common good as the greatest contribution to community. September 11, 2001, taught us that democratic lesson: Community is a fact, and the heroes are not those who lost the most money, but those who gave their lives. No magistracy in America offers better instruction on that point than American Catholicism.

IT IS a mark of the authenticity of Catholic social and political teaching that it is uncomfortable with the country's

mediate relation to the dazzling plurality of the Church's international communion. All of these developments underline the hierarchy's responsibility in preserving, and if necessary reweaving, the fabric of unity.

But the second cost of full inclusion in American civic culture has been a decline in the automatic deference that clerical leaders once received. Tocqueville saw American Catholics as "submissive believers," but a great number of today's communicants look positively feisty—including, paradoxically, those who regard themselves as conservatives and the special defenders of churchly authority. An increase in the practical influence of the laity is in the cards: The only questions are what form this will take and how far it will extend.

Nevertheless, the hierarchy, duly chastened, is indispensable to a high Catholic mission in the spiritual life of American democracy. Famously, Tocqueville traced the character of American civilization to a balance between the "spirit of liberty" and the "spirit of religion." But much as he admired that equilibrium, he expected that, with law and the marketplace in support, liberty would gain at the ex-

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major parties and all ideologies. "Being a Catholic liberal or a Catholic conservative," columnist E.J. Dionne wrote during the 2000 campaign, "inevitably means having a bad conscience about something." That ambiguity points to the crucial role Catholics are playing in our politics: As Dionne may have anticipated, Catholics were divided just about 50-50 in the election of 2000, and even marginal success in the competition for Catholic allegiances is likely to tip the balance of electoral power in the immediate future.

Yet the "mainstreaming" of American Catholicism comes with two very American price tags, both of which are evident in the Church's present travail. In the first place, Catholicism can no longer count on the defensive solidarity associated with an embattled subculture. The differences among Catholics—always an element of Catholic history in the United States—can be expected to become sharper, reflecting the "culture wars" that are dividing all the great American confessions. The Church can expect changes in its ethnic composition, increasing differences in the education and class of its membership, and widening variations in the extent to which communicants will follow this or that teaching. At the same time, globalization means a more im-

pense of religion in the habits of American hearts.

Tocqueville held religion to be "the most precious bequest of aristocratic ages," a fragile inheritance that teaches democracy the language of true nobility. Hence his warning about introducing new religions into America, where lacking the ballast of habit and tradition they would be caught up by the current of individualism. And he was concerned for the old faiths as well, noting that the Protestant reliance on individual conscience would work in combination with the law's "spirit of liberty" to undermine religious education generally, leaving Americans without serious spiritual discipline.

Americans, he observed, on the one hand were prone to secular individualism, afflicted by restlessness and "strange melancholy," often drawn to hazy pantheism; on the other hand, they sometimes leaned toward an excessive and fanatical spirituality that was likely to go beyond proper bounds into "religious insanity." The description has not lost force over the years.

The Catholic Church offers an alternative precisely because it retains an institutional link to "aristocratic ages." Tocqueville's description of American Catholics—"the most

submissive believers and the most independent citizens"—strikingly parallels the qualities he had earlier assigned to Puritans: a "passive though . . . voluntary obedience" in the spiritual and moral sphere and "an independence scornful of experience and jealous of all authority" in politics. Tocqueville was suggesting that while Catholics could not have *created* free institutions in America, they are more suited to *maintain* them, since the Church's authoritative institutions are relatively less exposed to individualism and spiritual indiscipline, the rising dangers of his time and ours.

TOCQUEVILLE COULD still assume, as had the Framers, that religion was a source of moral unity for Americans. In contemporary America, by contrast, the definition of religion has become very expansive indeed; citizens tell pollsters that they believe in God, but about an eighth of these self-proclaimed believers declare their faith to be in a "life force or spirit" that speaks to them through astrology or various extraterrestrial presences. (We are not alone: In Britain, nearly 400,000 people list their religion as "Jedi," outnumbering Jews, Sikhs, and Buddhists.)

Americans retain considerable agreement about morals, but they are inclined to see their convictions as so many private preferences, and a sizeable majority say that "we should be more tolerant of people who choose to live according to their own moral standards, even if we think they are wrong." In a recent survey, for example, Catholic students at Catholic colleges expressed relatively traditional judgments on casual premarital sex but far more liberal opinions on the right of homosexuals to marry. The first instance dealt with personal morality; the second primarily tested their tolerance. Boston College political scientist Alan Wolfe is right: The current in religious America runs in the direction of a "new autonomy" in which individuals decide what God suits their temperament, what family structure fulfills their needs, and what laws merit respect.

Still, Americans are restive, just as Tocqueville would have expected. Great numbers of us are troubled by emptiness, aware perhaps of the moral ambiguities of our own conduct, worried about the moral direction of the country. Many are looking to faith now, not as a code of rules, but as a source of goodness, seeking the meta-moral in our leaders and ourselves. This was evident in the campaign of 2000, when candidates regularly proclaimed their faiths, not in support of this or that policy, but as a kind of personal testimony, scratching the electorate's itch for leadership with a moral center.

The quality of this latest spiritual pursuit will depend on the public's ear for the authentic pitch of profound faith, and hence on the character of religious education. Here, the news is not good. Given the competing temptations of the time, the great majority of American religions are unusually prone to follow the path of consumer preference. This is not improved by a general disposition toward an ecumenicalism that smoothes away the sharper tastes of faith in favor of a kind of religious Jell-O, sweet and vaguely sticky, but with little character and less subtlety. The conversation skirts deeper fears and yearnings and allows for all sorts of spiritual dottiness: Almost a third of Americans, a few years ago, reported their conviction that the government was covering up its contacts with space aliens.

Catholicism is not immune to fads and fashions, but as Tocqueville suggested, the Church still finds it easier to be magisterial, and it could set a standard for debate over first principles among the great confessions, faiths disciplined as well by text and tradition. God wills religious unity, the Jesuit theologian John Courtney Murray used to argue, but pluralism is the human condition, and that tension suggests that human beings, and their faiths, are at their best when they are engaged in civil argument about the things that matter.

Of course, this prescription is dangerous. Murray called for pluralism with blood in it, and no one needs to be told that religious argument has often turned bloody and could do so again. But Americans, on the whole, have been well trained in religious tolerance. And religion, even with its abiding rivalries, rests on at least one elementary affirmation: the conviction that there is something to argue about, that the world ultimately makes sense, and that truth is more than personal interpretation and appearance. Faith, John Paul II wrote in *Fides et Ratio*, serves as reason's "convinced and convincing advocate," stirring reason to overcome its fears.

The great faiths also share a recognition that a preoccupation with survival, well-being, and individual independence is enslaving, that human dignity and moral agency are linked to the realization that rights are given to us on terms, and that love carries us beyond the control of earthly powers. It was precisely the "transpolitical" nature of Christian transcendence, BC's late great theologian Ernest Fortin argued, that "enable[d] Christianity to be effective in the midst of the changing configurations and innumerable contingencies of human existence." Catholicism, uneasy in this as in any political present, may for that reason hold keys to the American political future.

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Teaching Amy to drive in the snow

BY STEPHEN VALENTINE '98

How can I tell her, amid spinning tires and a streaked windshield? How can I part her furious gaze to say, you've got it all wrong, honey. Snow has no teeth, it's a feather

fanning an almighty love for us:

each flake tuned to awaken thoughts of buried flowerbeds and dusty bottles stashed in cellars; each flake a passion perfected in echoing, slng the gold dust of your days all this day . . .

Amy clicks off the music. She can't think, it's fogging up her ears, too loud, too low, too vibrant, too dull, our soundtrack's settled:

tires chawing snow under mammoth swipes of wipers wheedling a view.

Not bad. Houses unfold

every third stroke; some spout smoke. I count twelve footprints as snow floats and extends into the everywhere waiting to freeze or to melt, ready to be packed into balls, backstroked into angels, rolled and hoisted into men. Ready for the ridiculous—a carrot for a nose—and the sublime—charcoal for eyes. I upend the heat vent, count three children; try to remember their eyes, the eyes of my childhood buddies, what it meant to strike first into

the giddy unknown on a snowday.

Amy's quiet, too quiet, how long has this gone on? I tell her downshift before the turn for better traction, press the heater, then bring it to her neck.

Buried world,

pray for me, that I never leave my life

in a place where I can't find it.

Editor's note: Last fall, BCM invited readers to take part in "Word Play," a poetry contest inspired by a classroom exercise used by Professor Suzanne Matson in her "Introduction to Creative Writing" course. There was only one rule, and it was that 10 of the following 13 words had to appear in the poem: visceral, never, mannoth, passion, giddy, music, almighty, furious, ridiculous, vibrant, uncanny, nefarious, strike. In all, nearly 140 poems were submitted,

including 23 from the senior poetry class of Simsbury (Connecticut) High School, where Donna Cannon '92 serves as guidance counselor. The winning entry, by Stephen Valentine '98, an English teacher at the Montclair Kimberley Academy in Montclair, New Jersey, appears here. The runners np—by Tim Christian '74, Dan Howarth '98, Tom McGill, M.Div. '70, and Katie Bell (Simsbury High '03)—can be accessed at the BCM Web site, www.bc.edu/bcm

Mean streets

HOMICIDE DETECTIVE ROBERT CHERRY '90



Sunday afternoon, East Baltimore. Detective Robert Cherry surveys the crime scene. Shell casings litter a residential street. A car alarm wails. Hours earlier, a drive-by shooting on this corner put a teenager in the hospital. Speeding away, the driver lost control and plowed into a parked car, crushing a three-year-old girl walking down the sidewalk. The little girl is alive, but in critical condition, her brain severely damaged. Word on the street says the shooting was in retaliation for a stabbing on this same corner the night before. Now, four men lie handcuffed on the ground, would-be victims of the drive-by, who police thought were trying to flee the scene. "One of these knuckleheads is gonna tell us who was shooting at them," Cherry says.

This summer marks the end of Cherry's fourth year working homicide in the Baltimore City Police Department. "It's not an easy city to police," he says grimly. Baltimore has one of the country's highest murder rates, largely due to a vigorous drug trade; in the 1990s, there were more than 300 murders here every year for 10 years running (Boston last year had 60). "Not something you become immune to, exactly," says Cherry sadly, "but you do get accustomed to it."

Cherry grew up in a quiet Boston suburb. He majored in political science at BC and toyed with the idea of joining the Marines. After graduating, though, he moved to Baltimore to work for a group counseling juvenile delinquents ("the Jesuits got to me," he smiles). He met a few cops on the job and joined the force. "Believe me," he says, "there are times when you have to go see a body on a hot July night, and it's been there a few weeks and it's bloated and there's maggots and the smell," he says, "but that doesn't really bother me. What does bother me is this reckless disregard for life." He's been a cop for 10 years, but his face still reddens when he describes what he's seen.

Still, Cherry relishes the responsibility that comes with the homicide detail. "It all really rests on how you work the case," he says. "There's no victim you can talk to, so you have to be methodical." After staying up all night questioning witnesses to the drive-by, Cherry had arrested the car's driver and had the name of the shooter. "We'll get a warrant and round him up soon," he says.

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Turning point



Margot (Gensler) Connell, center, wife of William F. Connell '59, with their children. Top row (I-r): Terence A. '02, and William C. '94. Bottom (I-r): Monica Healey '88, Timothy P. '03, Lisa McNamara '89, and Courtenay Toner '91. Photograph by Gary Wayne Gilbert.

A LEGACY OF CARING

When the Boston College School of Nursing is formally named for late trustee William F. Connell '59, it will be a fitting tribute to the memory of a man whose personal and professional endeavors were marked by a spirit of caring. Before he died, Connell, who donated \$10 million to the University for the nursing program, was presented the Ignatius Medal, Boston College's highest honor, by University President William P. Leahy, SJ. He was only the 10th person to receive the medal, which honors "persons of uncommon achievement and influence in human affairs whose endeavors are enriched by a religious dimension." Connell first became a BC trustee in 1974 and served a total of 24 years on the board.

